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DELEGATES RALLY FOR STATE JOBLESS MEET

Big C. S. Protest Meeting Dreamland Rink, S. F., March 13

UNITED FRONT DEMAND GROWS FOR C. S. REPEAL

SPEAKERS FROM GROUPS TO PROTEST AGAINST FRAME-UPS

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—All out to fight the anti-labor "Crimin." Syndicalism Law! Fill the Dreamland Rink Wednesday night in a mighty demand for the freedom of the Sacramento C. S. victims!

With the two thoughts, thousands of workers of San Francisco, the East Bay sections and the peninsula are preparing to make March 13 a big rallying point in the fight for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, under which the Sacramento case and many previous frame-up attempts against workers were and are perpetrated.

Swelling the crowds from this city big delegations of workers are coming in from out of town, to voice their demand for the passage of Assembly Bill 419 to repeal the Criminal Syndicalism Law. The meeting is called by the State Conference for United Action for C. S. Repeal.

The list of speakers is the most impressive one seen in this city in a long time. Heading it are Sen. Gilbert Olson, state chairman of Democratic Party, and Assemblyman John Delletier (Epic), Ellis Patterson (Rep.), the Ornamental

TUNE IN KTAB

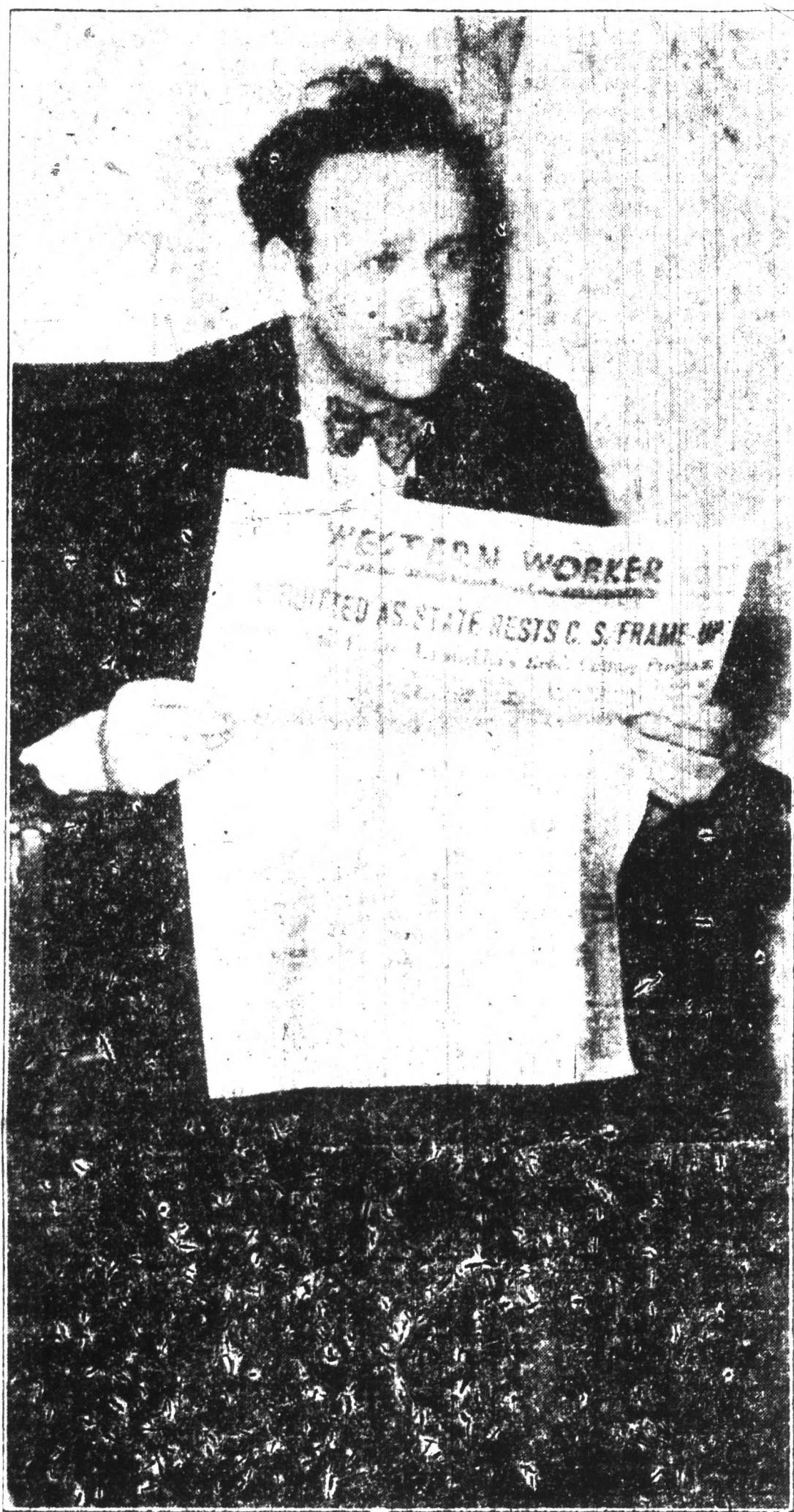
Monday night, Mar. 11, at 8:30 to 9:15, over radio KTAB. Anita Whitney and other speakers will broadcast on the need to repeal the infamous Criminal Syndicalism Law.

Anita Whitney was one of the first ones arrested under this act, being saved from imprisonment in 1919 only by nationwide protest.

Union Workers (AFL), John Abner, Tom's brother, Caroline Decker and Harry Collitz, two of the Sacramento defendants, of the Communist Party, Anita Whitney of the Communist Party who polled 100,000 votes in election, Geo. Maurer of the International Labor Defense, Joe Leeper, of the S. F. Communist Party, Dr. Geo. Hedley, director American Civil Liberties Union, and Rev. Low, pastor of Temple Methodist Church.

Reactionary forces are again Other clods are continuing the (Continued on Page 4, Col. 6.)

Darcy On the Stand



'GRILLING' DARCY SCORES VICTORY FOR C. S. DEFENSE

STOP CROSS-EXAMINATION AS DARCY CONTINUES FRAME-UP EXPOSE

SACRAMENTO, Calif., March 7.—(Reporting sessions, March 4 and 5.) The defense today scored its greatest triumph to date in the trial of fifteen workers on trumped-up charges of Criminal Syndicalism. Cross examination of Sam Darcy, Communist Party organizer for District 13, was begun this morning by blistering, bulldozing Special Prosecutor Neil R. McAllister.

Although the court refused to accept his testimony as that of an expert on Communism, Darcy has accepted the witness stand for many days presenting an accurate account of Communist principles and theory, despite every effort of the prosecution and the court to block him with objections and legal technicalities.

McAllister bombarded Darcy with questions for two hours and then abruptly abandoned cross-examination when it became obvious, even to him, that the defense was gaining every advantage. The naive questions prodded by the frame-up prosecutor enabled Darcy to introduce evidence that McAllister had been battling for days to prevent him from getting in.

Cooperation of District Attorneys and government offices in these illegal attacks was included in the

Why Conceal Addresses?

One of McAllister's first efforts was to ask why it is that the Communist Party conceals the names and addresses of its members? Instantly, he wished he'd never broached the subject. Darcy explained the lawless attacks by employers' hired gangsters, vigilantes, hoodlums and the police in such graphic detail that the prosecutor made efforts to interrupt and prevent explanation. Co-operation of District Attorneys and government offices in these illegal attacks was included in the

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Sacramento Unemployed Congress Opens Sunday; Workers Demand Bill 791; Relief Heads Plan Cuts

BUREAUCRATS REFUSE ILD BAIL ON MINE STRIKER

VANDELEUR'S MAN STOPS STRIKE COMMITTEE FROM ACCEPTING OFFER

JACKSON, Calif., March 6.—Reactionary tactics of the American Federation of Labor kept a striking miner in the black hole which the police call a jail here today after a representative of the International Labor Defense offered \$500 cash bail for his release.

Three of the most militant of the miners who were arrested on Feb. 10, last, after armed vigilantes wrecked and burned the hovel in which they were living, are still being held by county authorities. They are James Workman and Miguel Lopez, each held in lieu of \$500 bond, and Monica Franco, whose bail is fixed at \$250. Charges of possessing a blackjack and carrying weapons which could be concealed were filed against them.

Incident over the prospect of bail in their behalf, the three prisoners readily agreed to allow the I. L. D. representative to post bail and selected Workman, a young worker with a family, to be regarded by the miners as courageous union man, as the one to be released.

Then the A. F. of L. bureaucrats who have made little or no effort in behalf of the prisoners, got busy and an individual who represented himself as "Mr. Warren," a personal representative of Mr. (Continued on Page 4, Col. 7.)

This Pictures Capitalist America, Not Soviet Union, Mr. Hearst!

(Reprinted from "Time," Issue of March 4, 1935. "Time is NOT a Communist or 'radical' publication—Ed.)

"Near Keyville (Georgia) a two-room house is occupied by three families, each consisting of man and wife and from one to four children each.

"In one of the two rooms a six-year-old boy licked the paper bag the meat had been brought in. His legs were scarcely any larger than a medium-sized dog's leg, and his belly was as large as that of a 130-pound woman's. Suffering from rickets and anemia, his legs were unable to carry him for more than a dozen steps at a time; suffering from malnutrition, his belly was swollen several times its normal size. His face was bony and white. He was starving to death.

"In the other room of the house, without chairs, beds, or tables, a woman lay rolled up in some quilts trying to sleep. On the floor before an open fire lay two babies, neither a year old, sucking the dry teats of a mongrel bitch. A young girl, somewhere between fifteen and twenty, squatted on the corner of the hearth trying to keep warm.

"The dog got up and crawled to the hearth. She sat on her haunches before the blazing pine-knots, shivering and whining. After a while the girl spoke to the dog and the animal slunk away from the warmth of the fire and lay down again beside the two babies. The infants cuddled against the warmth of the dog's flanks, searching tearfully for the dry teats."

MAJOR FIGHT SEEN IN LEGISLATURE ON HUGE TAX BURDEN

By MURRAY

SACRAMENTO, March 5.—The Legislature reopened yesterday for its final session which will last at least until May. The opening day was given over largely to exchanges of compliments between Assembly and Senate, to the laying of expense accounts, to the reading of communications, and to playing with the costly new voting machine.

Assembly Bill 2379 was introduced and passed by the Assembly (Continued on Page 4, Col. 6.)

ARRESTED WORKER BRUTALLY BEATEN IN POLICE STATION

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—

Brutally beaten and slugged in the confines of the ILLS police station where no witnesses could see the inhuman treatment accorded him, James Garrison, militant San Francisco worker, suffered serious internal injuries including three fractured ribs and two fractured vertebrae last Saturday night, March 2, after he was arrested while speaking at a street meeting on Ellis and Fillmore streets.

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L. A. WORKERS TO BACK CONGRESS AT MASS MEET SUNDAY

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—National relief rolls, this week reached an all-time high with 22,375,000 on relief throughout the country. Approximately 5,400,000 families, averaging four to the family and 775,000 individuals are listed by SERA.

In the face of a rapidly mounting relief population, Federal Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins says the FERA has on hand but \$17,481,849. Only forty-one states have received allocations sufficient to carry them up until March 15 and seven states have as yet received no allotments at all.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—Hundreds of delegates and individual workers from the smallest towns to the largest cities of California, further increased at the criminal policy of relief curtailment.

ATTENTION S. F. DELEGATES

The delegates' bus to the Sacramento Convention will leave from 542 Valencia St., Sunday morning at 11 o'clock sharp. Full expenses, including meals, room and round-trip transportation, are \$3 per delegate. Bus fare alone, round trip, \$1.35 per delegate. Tickets can be had at the Public Works and Unemployed Union offices or at the Rank and File, American Federation of Labor offices, both at 542 Valencia St.

ment recently put into effect by state relief heads, are preparing to convene on Sacramento Sunday and Monday for the State Unemployed Congress.

The Congress will open with a mass meeting at the Plaza Theatre, 914 Ninth Street, Sacramento, at 7 o'clock Sunday eve. Lawrence Ross, co-editor of the Western Worker, will be the main attraction. (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2.)

THE UNITED FRONT OF THE WORKING CLASS VS. UPTON SINCLAIR'S POLITICAL AMBITIONS

Editorial

It certainly is heartening to see the tens of thousands of Epic workers, who, throughout the state, are joining with Communist and other workers in a united front of struggle for unemployment insurance and for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law despite the political ambitions of their former leader, Upton Sinclair, who is trying desperately to keep them isolated from the class struggle!

Not only that, but, influenced by the mass sentiment for a united front in the ranks of Epic workers, many of the Epic Assemblymen are taking part in this united front movement, as can be seen in their participation in the Unemployed Convention at Sacramento and in the United front rally against the C. S. Law at the Dreamland Auditorium in San Francisco!

Mr. Sinclair, however, still is trying to stem this tide of united front sentiment which threatens to swamp his private political ambitions.

"I have no desire to quarrel with the American Communists, and refuse to waste my time in controversy with them," writes Upton Sinclair in a leading editorial in the March 4 issue of his EPIC NEWS, and proceeds to "waste" a column and a half of his paper's no doubt valuable space to an attack on the Communist Party, a distortion of the Party's united front policy, and the expression of agreement with Hearst's "theory" of Fascism.

"The American people will have to resort to Fascism in order to defeat Communism," says William Randolph Hearst.

Communist theories "can serve no purpose except to lead the people of California into Fascism and misery," says Upton Sinclair.

Where is the difference between the Hearst School of Economics and that presided over by Sinclair?

The same issue of the EPIC NEWS carries the first of a series of stories on Fascism in the Imperial Valley. Following Mr. Sinclair's political reasoning to its logical conclusion, the Communist Party is responsible for the payment of starvation wages to the agricultural field and shed workers and for the reign of murder and terror against these workers when they organize for better conditions!

What utter rot Sinclair's political theories turn out to be! Curiously, this same issue contains an expose (rehashed from John Spivak's articles in the Daily Worker and New Masses) of Wall Street's attempt to organize a private Fascist Army. Does Mr. Sinclair believe that the Communist Party is responsible for that, too? Or that the Dickstein Committee's squashing of testimony of Fascist activities in the United States is merely another result of the application by the Communist Party of its united front policy?

Communists will bring Fascism to California "by their blindness to California realities, their inability to adjust themselves to the feelings and desires of the masses of our people," says Mr. Sinclair.

To cite just one example: Where was Mr. Sinclair when the SERA authorities announced a sweeping 20 per cent reduction in relief last week? Mr. Sinclair no doubt adjusted himself to "the feelings and desires of the masses" by dictating another editorial—but the Communist Party organized protest demonstrations which were the largest single factor in causing the countermarching of the relief cut!

This is how the Communist Party reacts to "the feelings and desires of the masses of our people," Mr. Sinclair!

Mr. Sinclair again descends to the level of Hearst when he lies, in his editorial, about the Communist Party, saying it "has not grown any since it was established some fifteen years ago," and that "tens of thousands of workers have been kicked out of the Party" because they displayed good faith in dealing with non-Communist workers!

Mr. Sinclair's political arsenal must be poorly furnished indeed if he has to borrow his heavy artillery from Hearst's storehouse of mud-slinging pea-shooters!

Yes, the Communist Party expels members—those who betray the class struggle in any way, Mr. Sinclair! Perhaps Mr. Sinclair is somewhat sensitive about "expulsions." He himself was read out of the Socialist Party when in a burst of political revelation last year he announced his discovery that he was a good Democrat, since his father had been a Democrat before him, and his father's father before that!

Sinclair contrasts his own belief in capitalist "democracy" with the Communist principle of the establishment of a revolutionary working class dictatorship to safeguard the interests of the toilers against counter-revolutionary aggression by the capitalist class, and stressing the gulf that separates the two, says, that "consequently there can be no cooperation between Epics and Communists,"—no united front.

But the workers in the Epic movement are fast learning that capitalist democracy means force and violence by the capitalist class to maintain its starvation rule (Mr. Sinclair would do well to read his own reporter's story on the Imperial Valley), that they must organize to struggle for their everyday demands, and that such struggle is REVOLUTIONARY in its essence, since all the forces of capitalist "democracy" are used to break working class struggles!

The leadership in that struggle is NOT being given by Mr. Sinclair, but by the Communist Party!

Despite Mr. Hearst's slimy slanders, despite Mr. Sinclair's unprincipled attacks and blind disregard of elementary facts—which give objective aid to the growth of Fascist forces—Communist leadership and its application of the united front policy shall defeat American fascism and usher in the true democracy of the workers' and farmers' government in the United States!

We call upon all sincere, class conscious followers of the Epic movement to ignore Mr. Sinclair's open and unashamed repudiation of the class struggle!

We are certain they will not let the political confusion of Mr. Sinclair keep them from joining in ever larger numbers, with Communist and other workers in a common struggle against our common enemy—the capitalist class.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY HAS FAITH IN THE INTELLIGENCE OF THE WORKERS IN THE EPIC MOVEMENT, IN THEIR REVOLUTIONARY READINESS TO FIGHT AGAINST CAPITALIST SLAVERY—WHICH IS MORE THAN WE CAN SAY FOR MR. SINCLAIR!

DARCY TO SPEAK ON LABOR PARTY AT L.A. MEETING MARCH 15

LOS ANGELES, March 4.—The Communist Party position in regard to proposed labor parties will be thoroughly explained by Sam Darcy, district organizer of the Communist Party, at the Mason Opera House, 127 So. Broadway, on Friday eve, March 15.

This mass meeting will be the closing affair in the Western Workers War Chest and subscription drive, and proceeds will go to the paper.

Mass organizations sympathetic to the Western Worker are urged to send representatives to the meeting to greet the Western Worker with financial aid.

In addition to analyzing the possibilities of an American labor party, Comrade Darcy will expose the lies of William Randolph Hearst and his yellow press. He will explain the political significance of these attacks against the Communist Party and the working class.

Louise Todd, recently framed on charges of falsifying Communist petitions, and now on bail pending an appeal, will also speak at the mass meeting. Harold J. Ashe, Los Angeles Western Worker representative will be chairman.

Two scenes from the play "Waiting for Lefty" will be presented by the Theatre of Action.

Refuse Denny Appeal For New Trial

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 4.—Judge Sanderson, the judge who presided in the Edward Denny trial, upheld the prosecution and who literally instructed the jury to ignore Denny's limit, and then gave him two years, on Saturday raised the question for a new trial. He then refused the motion for the state to pay for the transcript or evidence, necessitating the appeal.

Western Worker Banquet To End Campaign Drive

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4.—A banquet to celebrate the end of the Western Worker campaign will be held Saturday, March 23, at the Mission Turner Hall, 541 - 18th St. Sam Darcy, district organizer of the Communist Party, and Leo Gallacher, internationally known labor attorney, will speak. Excellent food will be served, and a musical program has been arranged. Admission will be fifty cents to this affair, which will be a fitting climax to the campaign towards building a daily Western Worker.

The limited number of tickets remaining are obtainable at 37 Grove St.

Honolulu Sugar Workers Get \$1 a Day For Fourteen Hours

Workers—Build This Page—It Belongs to You

Worker correspondents: The Western Worker is receiving a lot more stories from workers than ever before. This is good but it is not enough. This is your paper and it is up to you to see that it reflects your struggles. San Diego is sending in plenty of stories but San Diego is not the whole state. Los Angeles too sends several stories for each issue but neither is Los Angeles the whole state. What about the local struggles up and down the San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys? You don't want to read reprints from the slinky capitalist sheets about these struggles. But that is what the Western Worker is forced to print if its readers neglect to send in the facts. The revolutionary workers of Russia defended their illegal papers and waited eagerly for each and every issue. Their papers were their voice. In America we have legal papers. But we must see to it that our paper reflects our struggles. So let's fill this page with live, factual stories about ourselves and our struggles against the attacks of the system and the millions of petty bosses who are the tools of this system. Comrades and fellow workers—It's up to you!

Darcy to Speak at Hollywood Forum on Labor Party, Mar. 16

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Mar. 15.—The United Front Movement and a Labor Party will be the subject of a symposium at the United Forum of Hollywood on Saturday evening, March 16th at Hollywood Workers Club, 1116 N. Lillian Way.

Speakers will include Sam Darcy, Communist candidate for Governor in 1934 and district organizer of the Communist Party; J. McCarthy, pro-assembly candidate last year, speaking for the Times; and a prominent Uman leader as yet not selected. An added attraction will be a dramatic sketch "Very Grand Tumors," presented by the Theatre of Action.

DEMAND FREEDOM 14 JAILED IN IMPERIAL VALLEY STRIKE

EL CENTRO, Calif., Mar. 15.—The following workers are held in the Imperial county jail facing various charges for their activity in the lettuce packers' strike: Clifford Wilson, 23, battery; J. Hewitt, 38, assault; Jimmy Patton, 26, battery; J. A. Hutchinson, 43, battery; Brian Green, 23, battery; and J. A. Hardman, 27, serving 30 days battery, county jail, after being found guilty in city court. Arrested Feb. 17. Pleaded not guilty.

H. J. Walker, 21, battery. Workers' organizations everywhere are urged to send protests to Sheriff Ware, demanding their immediate and unconditional release.

Zlodi Bros.
Dairy Lunch & Cafeteria
67 Fourth St., cor Jessie, S. F.

To The Pioneers

It was near evening when you marched this way.
Sore-plodding, yet proud,
Though dark was rolling up in one, I cloud,
That you could build here, free, for life unborn,
Confident of the morn.
(There always had been nights before, then day.)

You faced the sinking sun
And broke the soil, laid down the axe and pick.
To sleep till bright dawn should again burst through.
A stranger night was brooding than you knew,
So long a night, so thick—
A night that throttled freedom as she slept
While a worn moon crept
Painfully inch by inch across the sky.
Each inch a year, each year a hope to die.
You woke, but woke no more
To bright dawns as before;
No more—yet your historic task was done.

Your children march into the thundering dawn
That shall end nights forever! WE march on!
Emma Winther Johnson.

DULL ROUTINE OF CCC CAMP TOLD BY WILLIAMS BOY

WILLIAMS, Mar. 6.—Here is some news of our camp. You are welcome to use what you like. We hear reveille at six o'clock. Then one day a week each of the men (truck drivers, leaders \$45, and assistant leaders \$30 are exempted) get table waiting. We eat at 6:30, the chow is usually the same, and of low quality, with cold hot cakes and cold every thing else.

Inspection every morning at 7:15. They are severely strict. However, I talked to one of the kids who was a table waiter for the officers and he stated that their place was a pig pen. There are four men who sleep there: the commanding officer, the junior officer, the mess officer and the doctor.

OFFEN FORCED TO WORK IN RAIN

At about 7:20 there is roll call, then the men are divided into jobs. But we must see to it that our paper reflects our struggles. So let's fill this page with live, factual stories about ourselves and our struggles against the attacks of the system and the millions of petty bosses who are the tools of this system. Comrades and fellow workers—It's up to you!

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GAS FROM TRUCK MAKES BOYS SICK

The result is working under lousy conditions. If, fortunately, we have managed to work a week straight through we have to have clothes inspection on Saturday. Around 11 the truck goes to town. Oh, yes, the trucks are swell. First, for the rapid speed they travel (300 odd have been killed by trucks). Then the wind rushes in and, boy, you freeze. Then on grades the monoxide gas or exhaust rolls in and the result is that most of the kids throw up and are pretty sick before they get to town. If any of them have to go to S. F., they arrive by 7:30 p. m. Then they must leave at 9:30 to get back in time. However all leaves are cancelled when it rains.

SICK NEGRO BOY IS JIM-CROWED

An open forum was proposed, but stopped. The argument was that it was the district headquarters at Sacramento was opposed to any subjects on social science because they would arouse some of the members to rebellious actions. Then we proposed a debating club or a public speaking club, and these were squashed. Too many to top pressure.

The camp paper here is censored. A Negro boy by the name of Barbour is sick and they have him in the barracks, while the rest of the kids are in the infirmary, although the infirmary is no better. Sanitary conditions are poor; no bed pans, urine bowls, etc. Kids with fever or physical disability are forced to walk to the toilet, or if they are too far come they are carried. Pills by the dozen are injected into you. Boy do they use pills. Right now I am recuperating from an attack of flu.

NOTICE!

Typewriter wanted. The American League Against War and Fascism needs a typewriter badly, preferably a portable. Anyone having a machine they could loan or donate to the League is asked to communicate with the headquarters at 1026 Market Street, Room 311.

Lodi Farmer Is Ruined By T.B. Test Ordinance

By a Farmer Correspondent.

LODI, Calif., March 7.—Yesterday a man by the name of Hanford who lives three miles from here told us that out of forty-six head of dairy cows the tuberculosis testers took forty-four as "reactors." They were sent by trucks to Los Angeles and some of them died or were killed on the road and they are trying to make him pay for the transportation as far as they got with them.

But this is not the worst of the story for he received a total of \$80 for the forty-four head—that is, less than \$2 per cow. He is a renter so he is forced to give up his place as he now has no income. He has a wife and four children.

Another party living nearby lost five out of twenty-six and still another lost one out of five to the tuberculosis test racketeers.

Ex-Navy Men Asked To Spy On Sailors

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 5.—Stool pigeons are now being employed by the U. S. Navy to keep check on the enlisted men and try to find out their political affiliation or views.

Commanding officers from various ships are approaching ex-sailors on pension and offering them "good money" to stool on enlisted men. They are expected to scrape up acquaintance with enlisted men on shore leave, get their name, rank, name of ship and most important, what views they may have on conditions on board ship or in general.

Navy Man's Relative

I.W.O., Branch 599 To Celebrate 3rd Birthday Mar. 16

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—International Workers' Order, Branch 599, is celebrating its third anniversary on March 16, 1935, with an International Convention Ball at 3053 19th Street, Redmen's Hall.

Branch 599 has true cause for celebration, organized three years ago with only a few members, has today 100 members. This in a time when all other fraternal and insurance organizations are losing drastically and fighting for existence.

Two years ago at the national convention of the I. W. O. in Chicago, when representation was based on 25 members for a branch delegate, the question arose which of the delegates of Branch 599 should be permitted to be seated. The branch had not then 25 good standing members. Today when representation is based on a larger proportion of members, the branch is engaged in a feverish membership campaign to send off three delegates to the national convention this May in New York City.

Proceeds of the ball will go to the I. L. D. which is at present engaged in fighting the U. S. case in Sacramento.

Workers, farmers! Get a bundle of Western Worker and distribute them to your shop mates, friends and neighbors.

Greedy Dictates Hearst's Labor Attacks

By L. T. ROY.

These persons who are inclined to take Hearst seriously as a friend of the worker should stop and ask themselves one question: Who is William Randolph Hearst? Only by an understanding of Hearst's background and present life can one realize how little he has in common with nine-tenths out of 100 Americans.

Hearst was born the son of millionaire parents, and was indulged in every possible luxury. This may explain why he is so much more extreme and bitter in his fight against organized labor. Many capitalists who have been themselves poor have used some sense in refraining from provoking the wrath of their employees, by using flattery, and pretending to work with them while really pulling the strings of the dummy labor leaders on their payroll.

Hearst is today the owner of the world's largest propaganda machine. He owns a string of newspapers throughout the country, the largest chain in the world. Besides this he owns five magazines, ten radio stations and a news reel service, all of which he uses to satisfy his own political ambitions.

His Foreign Policy—Profits!

Hearst is always preaching against foreign entanglements, but

BOSSSES PREPARE GROUND FOR WAR AND FASCISM IN HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

HONOLULU, Hawaii, Mar. 6.—"Conditions of the working class here are miserable. The wages are low and the cost of living is high. On Sugar Plantations workers get \$30 a month regardless of how big a family they have. At pineapple canning factories the girls are working twelve and fourteen hours for \$1.03 a day. Beer joint girls are working from 5 a. m. to 12 p. m. on a seven day week for \$25 a month.

On this island most of the airmen are from the mainland, U. S. A., and they get \$150 a month. But if local boys get the jobs they get \$18.50 a week. Longshoremen are working from twelve to sixteen hours a day for forty cents an hour. Food prices are much higher here than on the mainland.

Workers Organize.

But now the workers are beginning to unite and are preparing to struggle for better conditions. The bosses—bankers and the Matsun line—who own two thirds of the island are yelling "The Bolsheviks want to take our good country!" The American Legion, the Women's Auxiliary, the Eagles and the rest of the fascists are organizing and have squads

Many Organizations Meet To Prepare For Youth Congress

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—Actual organizational plans for the calling of a regional session of the American Youth Congress are under way, and an organization meeting was called on Thursday, March 7.

Already a number of organizations have endorsed the calling of the Congress, and a number of prominent individuals have added their individual endorsements. The tentative organization committee, which is seeking to obtain sponsors for the call, has issued the following statement:

"A California Congress of Youth will be called soon. The object of the Congress will be to unite, as many youth organizations as possible for the purpose of discussing common political, economic and social problems. No 'program' has been or will be arranged for the Congress. California youth will write its own program. Through open and democratic discussion of the pressing issues of the day.

May 1 U.S.S.R. Trip Being Arranged

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—The Soviet Union is inviting workers from all over the world to visit this spring, offering a very attractive itinerary and special tourist rates.

World Tourist at 380 Market Street is arranging through Mr. Resnick a May Day group from the Pacific Coast for this special May Day Industrial Tour and the response from people throughout the city is most encouraging. There is still time to make reservations and file applications for Soviet visas.

This special May Day Industrial itinerary includes a fifteen day tour in the Soviet Union to the industrial centers and collective farms and very comfortable modern accommodations have been arranged on the S.S. He de France. A Soviet steamer from London will make its first Russian port of call at Leningrad where a stop of three days is planned. Moscow is the next stop for four days, then Dnepropetrovsk, Kharkov, and Kiev.

Travelers will read Moscow in time for the gigantic May Day spectacle on Red Square.

NOTICE!

Any comrade having a folding cot or two to spare, or blankets, are urged to bring or send them to 37 Grove St. These articles are badly needed by some comrades who are doing good work for the Party.

Greedy Dictates Hearst's Labor Attacks

He owns real estate in almost every country in the world. His foreign policy is largely motivated by the necessity of making his foreign investments profitable. Whether he shall make war on this or that country, attack or foster the imperialist ambitions of another country, depends largely on the state of Mr. Hearst's foreign investments. In particular Hearst has advocated and fought for the sending of American troops into Latin American countries where he owns large tracts of oil lands and copper mines.

When the next American expeditionary force leaves for Nicaragua or some other country, remember that our boys died, and also slaughtered some thousands of the natives, for the safeguarding of private property, that is, Mr. Hearst's private property, and his right to exploit the natives at the lowest possible wages.

Backed Inflation.

In spite of his dislike of the new deal, Hearst has sometimes backed Roosevelt's policy for one reason: inflation. By devaluing the dollar, the President has assured an increase in prices which is the equivalent of a wage reduction for the whole body of American workers. But besides this general reason to support the new

HEARST BLACKMAIL METHOD OF GETTING BIG ADVERTISING

By a Worker Correspondent.

KIMBERLEY, Ida, March 7.—I am sending in a few facts as to how Hearst will be for money. These facts were given in a speech in the Labor Temple at Vallejo, Calif., in 1919 by the editor of the New York Call. The title of his talk was "The Poison Press."

You will remember some time ago in Chicago that Marshall Field's son was killed. The story the morning papers gave out was that he was handling a revolver which was supposed to be empty but which went off accidentally and killed him.

The Chicago American (Hearst paper) got hold of the real story, wrote it up, took it to the Marshall Field Company office and showed them what was going to be published. Up until that time the Chicago American had never gotten one cent of advertising from the Marshall Field Company.

The person who took the story to the office came away with a big order for advertising space and the Chicago American has had big ads from the Marshall Field Company ever since. So then the Chicago American also published the lie about the accidental shooting of young Field.

The true story is that young Field was blown around 27 or 28 street and Wabash ave., a district commonly known as "South Africa." He got into a drunken brawl with prostitutes and gangsters and he was shot and his body taken home in an express wagon around 3 a. m.

Bosses Use Camera On Compton SERA to Check On Work Done

By SERA Worker.

COMPTON, Calif., March 5.—At least one SERA boss now employs a camera in order to check up on workers to see whether they are working hard enough to suit him.

The SERA boss at Compton on the Olive Street School project uses this method at the same time he pretends to be a great friend of the workers. He gets on top of the school house when the men are working and takes pictures of them as "evidence."

This foreman never bosses the men or gets tough with them, out he has a picture to file with the SERA office as evidence that the men don't get a minute off. The boss stated: "I would even treat my own brother in this way if he was on this job," to one of the men who caught him snapping pictures.

Instead of letting men work their four days in one week, he makes them come to work one day every week for a month's budget.

One of the workers asked him why he did that and he replied that "if the men got all the days in one week and got all their money in one lump, they might go to a beer parlor and spend it there instead of for food." Thus, does this foreman spread the oft-repeated slander against those who have been victimized by the system. He did not bother to explain how he, and others like him who draw regular wages and salaries, guard themselves against the terrible temptation of going to beer parlors.

Need Witnesses At Newman Trial

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—Billy Newman and George Gans, two young workers arrested here last May 30 following the International Youth Day demonstration, will come up for trial on March 14, at 10 a. m. in Judge Fritz court, fourth floor of the City Hall.

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L.A. UNEMPLOYED LEAGUE DEMANDS 50 PER CENT REPRESENTATION ON RELIEF COMMITTEE

LOS ANGELES, March 6.—Demand for fifty per cent representation on the citizens relief committee was made last week upon the board of supervisors by the Public Works and Unemployed League.

"Painting a picture of 'slow starvation' among persons on relief rolls and 'widespread malnutrition among school children,'" Mrs. L. H. Purdy of Tujunga, leader of the League delegates, asked for minimum LACRA budget of \$50 a month for a family of two persons, and \$200 a week for each additional dependent, and a 60-cent-an-hour minimum work rate.

She cited several cases where families of six persons who should be getting \$60 a month were paid only \$48.

Mrs. Purdy criticized Roy W. Pilling, LACRA director, before the supervisors.

She quoted Pilling as saying: "We know you are starving to death, but we haven't the money to do anything about it. Perhaps you will have to be patient for fifty years."

Later in the day, the same committee, led by Mrs. Purdy, appeared before the Citizens' Relief Committee, where she charged that hundreds of LACRA workers are going hungry because of inefficient administration of SERA funds in Los Angeles county.

Anna Louise Strong To Speak In S. F. On March 15

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—Anna Louise Strong, American associate editor of the Moscow News, largest English-language newspaper in the Soviet Union, arrives in San Francisco on Wednesday to fill a speaking engagement for Friday the 15th at South-Rite Auditorium, on the subject: "Dictatorship and Democracy in the Soviet Union." The meeting has been arranged by the American Russian Institute.

Dr. Strong, besides being founder of the Moscow News, is the author of numerous books on Soviet Russia, and of an autobiography to be issued in April by Henry Holt and Company. For the past thirteen years she has lived in all parts of the vast Soviet Union, and is authoritatively informed upon many aspects of Soviet life.

Dr. Strong will also appear before the San Francisco Centre at the St. Francis Hotel.

The recent changes in the electoral procedure of the Soviets lend great importance to Dr. Strong's lecture. The relationship of these changes to the increasing economic security of Soviet citizens, and to the prospects for further advances, will form a significant part of the talk. A period of questions and answers will follow.

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Alabama S. P. Endorses Workers Bill

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 7.—The Birmingham local of the Socialist Party, with twelve members present, unanimously endorsed the Workers' Unemployment Old Age and Social Insurance Bill, H. R. 2827, at their last regular meeting. A representative of the Communist Party spoke on the Workers' Bill at the meeting. The Birmingham local also declared for the united front movement against terror against Socialist and Communist workers.

Farmers Demand Feed

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 7.—Desperately needy farmers from the arid plains of Western Minnesota brought three starving, hollow-eyed animals to the door of the state capital last week to prove to the legislators that they must have food immediately. Within a few hours after this action a bill providing \$500,000 for feed was introduced in the Senate, passed by an unanimous vote, and rushed to the House. The farmers were led by Lufte Keating, big Stone County agriculturist who told of the starving conditions under which the Minnesota farmers are forced to live at the present time.

Chicago Labor Ticket Polls Strong Vote

CHICAGO, Ill., March 7.—In the aldermanic elections held here recently the Communist-supported workers' candidates showed large gains over previous elections, despite the fact that less than 15 per cent of the registered voters participated at the polls. Martin Moskowitz, candidate in the 21st Ward, received the highest number for a worker candidate with 801 votes. The second largest vote for a worker candidate was received by James Haumann, Negro worker in the 4th Ward with 682 votes. The total vote was over half a million with 100,000 for the Republicans.

Education Board Fights Teachers' Oath

HARTFORD, Conn., March 7.—A bill requiring all teachers to take the oath of allegiance to the United States and to Connecticut has been introduced into the Legislature here by Representative Bender, a Socialist. But even the state school board, forced to act by the flood of individual and organized protests against the bill, has come on record as opposing the bill. Hundreds of protests against the bill have flooded the Connecticut legislature and the offices of the State Board of Education.

Detroit Bill Hits Labor Vote

DETROIT, Mich., March 7.—The Detroit City Council recently pushed through a vicious anti-labor amendment to the City Charter designed to keep workers and workers' parties off the ballot. The amendment provides that instead of submitting signatures, all candidates for city office must pay a fee of \$100 for a salary office and \$50 for an office involving no salary. The amendment now must be approved by the city voters at the April elections before it becomes a law. The council adopted the amendment in the face of protests from the Socialist and Communist Parties and by the Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor.

Students Favor April Anti-War Strike

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 7.—A nationwide antiwar, anti-fascist strike will take place in all the leading colleges of the country on April 12, it has been announced by a special united front students' committee. The strike call is supported by the more than fifteen groups.

3 BOYS FIRED FOR CAMPAIGN AGAINST BAD BREAKFASTS

ANACORTES, Mar. 1.—Three

CCC boys at Camp Rosario, two of them members of the Young Communist League, were fired out of camp in an effort to break the influence they were gaining over the boys at the camp.

The three fellows were Ernest Barney, Edward Wissing and Wilbur Brown.

These fellows had been active in leading a campaign against the poor breakfasts which the camp had been serving every morning, against being forced to cut wood, and against working in the rain.

None of the three fellows was openly fired on the charge of being a Communist, or of attempting to organize a strike. Instead, one was charged with distributing "seditious" literature, a second with being absent without leave, and a third with "gold-bricking."

The camp officers could not pretend to be surprised at discovering that Barney was a Communist, for he was well known and liked precisely because of his militant working class activity as a Party and Young Communist League member. He was the Communist candidate for councilman in his ward in the recent Anacortes city election, and had been active in the struggle of the unemployed for more relief.

The camp officials tried to bribe him off by making him a leader, figuring this would prevent him from continuing his militant activity. When this failed, they took his rating away from him, trying to break down his popularity with the fellows.

After the discharge took place, the camp unit of the Young Communist League put out a bulletin in mimeographed form, exposing the reasons for the expulsions, and calling for protests against this discrimination to be forwarded to Commander General of the 9th corps area, CCC, at Fort Lewis, Wash., and to Lieut. S. A. Bacon, camp commander, Camp 948 CCC, Route 2, Anacortes.

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CHINESE RED ARMY BEATS KUO MIN TANG IN NEW ADVANCE

HONGKONG, China, Mar. 7.—Following the conjunction of the Red Armies led by Comrade Chu Teh, commander in chief of the Chinese Red Army, numbering some 30,000 fully equipped men, and a second force coming down from Szechwan, preparations for an attack on Kweichow, capital of Kweichow province. The combined force is reported to be between 80,000 and 100,000 men.

The Kuo Min Tang army, supposed to defend against the advance of the Red Army, were badly beaten yesterday at Tsunyi and in flight toward the capital, their retreat being harassed by peasants and workers eager to welcome the Red Army. The latter is at present crossing the Wu river, twenty miles to the north of Kweichow.

The Kuo Min Tang troops, who have not been paid for more than three months, are reported not willing to put up any real battle in defense of the capital and already, as in every previous battle against the Red Army, there have been mass desertions to the side of the embattled workers.

This particularly occurred when the Red Armies captured the important cities of Tsunyi, Meitan and Tsinzue in northern Kweichow two months ago.

Other Red Armies in the north of Szechwan and in Hubei, Shensi and Kansu have all been advancing, capturing new territory and consolidating partisan areas under Soviet rule.

Kyle Pugh Released

MEDFORD, Ore., March 7.—Kyle Pugh was released on bond obtained in Portland, on Feb. 21st.

The State also released Pugh's donkey, protesting over the fact that they had to pay \$103 for the donkey's feed during the time he was held. The State undoubtedly restricted the fact that capitalism does not believe in confiscation of private property and they probably would have been very glad to destroy this donkey.

BY CAROLINE DECKER

One of the 15 Workers Charged With Criminal Syndicalism

This is the charge: Advocating the overthrow of the U. S. government by force and violence! There are six counts in the criminal syndicalism law. Each count provides for 1 to 14 years in prison if you are found guilty.

We were originally charged with the whole book. Now, four workers are charged with two counts, and 11 are charged with three counts.

Most of us used to think that you at least had to DO something to get in jail. But the one count in the whole law which deals with SPECIFIC acts of "crime" has now been dropped. This one count would deal with actual ACTS of force and violence for the purpose of overthrowing the government. But this charge would be so raw that big business and its fascist trumpet blower, Hearst, don't even dare put stool pigeons on the stand to testify against it.

So what does that mean? It means that if we are convicted, it won't be for DOING anything, but for believing and teaching that this capitalist class which runs the government and the industries to make life comfortable for themselves and the sons and daughters of the rich should be abolished!

The kind of stuff that the prosecution is pulling in an effort to prejudice the jury is evident from McAllister's stupid question to one of the defendants: McAllister, the whiskey-wagon driving prosecutor, asked "Young man, did you ever hear of this statement: 'My country, right or wrong, my country'?"

Yes, I guess we've all heard of that in school, in the Boy Scouts in the national guard, in the army and the navy. But when we stop to ask ourselves and other young workers and students—

How much of this country is mine?

What have I got to look forward to? Where can I find a job in order to live like a human being and have the things the country has not plenty of?

And who has all the things that make life worth living?

Do I?

And why are there 16 million unemployed men and women between the age of 16 to 25?

Why is it that in the workers' and farmers' government in the Soviet Union factories are being opened every day, young people have every advantage of education, work and life?

Is that possible only in a coun-

try that's governed by the workers and farmers themselves?

Are we suffering so much in capitalist countries because all the bosses and THEIR government care about is making profits and more profits?

And then we stop and remember that some time, long time ago, we remember learning about the Declaration of Independence at school, and in the Declaration of Independence it says that the people of this country have a right and a duty to abolish the government when it can't take care of the masses of people. And then we decide that the only way to make things better is to organize the employed and unemployed workers for higher wages and more relief, and then some day when the mass of working people are organized, they will decide that it is time for them to take over the industries and run them for the benefit of the working people.

Al—but stop! That's CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM!

If the rich class of California succeeds in convicting any of us at Sacramento, then they will begin for fair the real stuff like Hitler did in Germany. Labor unions will be smashed. All young people will be militarized to make cannon fodder for the next war to save the profits of the rich.

School budgets will be cut, relief will be cut, general attacks on the living standards of us and our families will be carried out.

For what? TO MAKE OUR COUNTRY SAFE FOR THE BOSSES!

Now is the time for all young working people and students to ask themselves these questions!

NOW is the time for young working people and students to join the fight against the criminal syndicalist act and for the freedom of the 15 workers.

When you do this, you fight for your OWN freedom and for your OWN rights!

CORRECTION

In a recent issue of the Western Worker it was reported that the Governor of New Mexico had told a committee of workers that "an underground Communist organization existed in Clovis, New Mexico."

We have been informed that the Governor had not said this but that others whom the committee called upon did make this statement. The error was made by the Western Worker and not by our correspondent.

Foreign News Briefs

Police Beat Algerian Jobless

MOSTAGANEM, Algeria, March 7.—When more than 300 unemployed workers marched on the town hall demanding more relief, police charged into the crowd and fired several shots at the demonstrators. The French, who control this colony have increased taxation to unbearable heights. As a result native producers are going bankrupt by the hundreds, resulting in big layoffs. Reinforcement of troops were dispatched here from Oran and the streets are under constant patrol by armed soldiers and police.

Jerusalem In One-Day Rent Strike

JERUSALEM, Palestine, March 7.—Stores here were shuttered last Monday in protest against rising rents and the refusal of the Municipal Council to pass a rent restriction law. The strike was called by the Jerusalem Shopkeepers' Association. Landlords have given notice that in May, at the beginning of the new Moslem year, rents on shops and other business premises will be increased from 60 to 100 per cent and more. The shopkeepers, by striking, hope to obtain the passage of a law restricting or forbidding the increases.

Nazis Apologize for Molesting Soviet Official

BERLIN, Germany, March 7.—Hitler spies have been pestering M. Orlovski, member of the Soviet embassy here, who has been ill with tuberculosis at Saint Blasien Sanatorium in the Black Forest, it has been learned. A protest from the Soviet government against the actions of the German secret police however brought an immediate apology expressing "regret." The secret police had lifted the Soviet official from his bed while they searched his mattress for "incriminating documents." They found nothing.

Yugoslavia Tightens Dictatorship

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, March 7.—Even the monarchists who wish to gain control of the government here have been forbidden candidacy in a new order from the Yefich government prohibiting any but its own candidates to seek office in the approaching elections. Up until now the workers and peasants had been led to believe they would be allowed to vote for candidates of their own choice. But the majority of the representatives of European imperialism who now hold all the important governmental offices are more determined than ever to cling to their positions. It is expected in some quarters the Yefich clique is planning a return to military dictatorship under General Zhivkovich, present Minister of War.

Kaganovitch New Soviet Rail Commissar

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., March 7.—Lazar M. Kaganovitch, veteran Bolshevik and revolutionist, has been chosen Commissar of Transportation. He is a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the U. S. S. R. He was the originator of the electrification stations through which the collectivization and modernization of Soviet agriculture was accomplished. He also is president of the Moscow Soviet and is a member of the Political Bureau.

Mussolini Boasts Troop Reserves

ROME, Italy, March 7.—Hastening to assure Italian employers who have expressed fears for the fascist dictatorship because of the shipment of Italian troops to Abyssinia, Mussolini this week declared Italy has at least 7,000,000 troops in reserve. Meanwhile the Italian imperialists are sending more and more troops to Abyssinia in a determined effort to seize huge slices of the territory of that independent country.

NEGRO AND MILITANT YOUTH BEATEN UP AT L.A. TRANSIENT CAMP

BEATEN, FORCED TO WALK 30 MILES TO TOWN

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 10.—Filled with the vicious race hatred instilled by the boss class, a white worker brutally beat up a Negro lad because he tried to warn him of cold hands on the railroad of the white man's truck.

The driver of the transportation truck for the Van Nuys transient camp, for no other reason than white chauvinism, pushed the young Negro away from the front of the truck roughly. When the boy complained about the rough treatment of objection, the truck driver jumped on the lad, punched him several times, and knocked him down in the gutter.

BEATEN, FORCED TO WALK 30 MILES TO TOWN

There was a piece of pipe in the gutter against which the young Negro banged his ear, blood ran down his face. Shortly after, during the "military column," the Negro boy was called out of ranks and sent to the captain's quarters. The boy's camp clothes were confiscated and he was expelled from the camp on "insubordination." No medical treatment was given to his slashed ear. He was forced to go back to Los Angeles by himself. The whole matter was hushed up, and the young Negro walked most of the 30 miles back to town.

In the same Van Nuys camp a young white worker was beaten by three camp food peddlers because he complained about the conditions in the tents that were cold, torn and dirty, and the rotten food. Three food peddlers who get only \$5 a month more than the other transients ganged up on him, punched him thoroughly, and cut his face. He too was forced to leave camp.

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Trotsky's Responsibility For Terrorist Attack Proven

By Emmett Kirby

Hearst and Trotsky Pursue Same Aim of Capitalist Attack on Soviet Union—Kirov Assassin's Confession Parrots Trotsky Directives—Confessions of Others Expose Zinoviev Group

The Assassin Repeats Trotsky

Let us compare the statements of Kirov, the assassin of Kirov, with the directives made in an article "Two Outlooks for the Soviet Union" of the 1st of 1933.

Says Kirov: "We could not expect a change in Party leadership by the methods of inner Party democracy. We realized that this path was entirely out of the question."

Said Trotsky, in his directives a few months earlier: "It is true that the bureaucrats hold the entire power and the approaches to it in their hands, and that is the actual state of affairs, then a question arises—how to bring about the reorganization of the Soviet government. And can this task be solved by peaceful methods?"

No normal "constitutional" methods remain for removing the ruling clique."

Said Kirov, when caught: "There remained only one path—the path of terroristic acts."

Said Trotsky, in the article in question: "The bureaucrats can only be compelled to give the power into the hands of the proletarian vanguard (meaning his followers—E.K.) by force."

Capitalist Intervention.

Concerning the necessary military intervention, Kirov said: "It is only possible to overthrow the Soviet power by an attack on the capitalist states upon it, and, further, 'Our task will be the stand for an explosion, actions within the country against the C. P. S. U. and the Soviet Power.'"

Said Trotsky: "The relationship of forces inside the Soviet Union will be firmly established in case of some big historical trial, which might be a war. In any case it is clear that by internal forces alone the Soviet Power will not be able to hold out long."

And inside the Soviet Union, this was his outspoken directive: "If the proletariat gets active, the Stalinite apparatus will hang in the air. If this apparatus tries to resist, then not so much measures of civil war as police measures will be used against it. In any case, the matter in

question is not so much a revolt against the dictatorship of the proletariat as a removing an 'obstacle'."

No further proof be given? The political responsibility for the terrorist acts—the attempt at "removing an obstacle"—belongs to the murder of Kirov."

The indictment in the matter of Zinoviev, Yevdokimov, Gertik, Bakayev, Kameney and others has been published. It was ascertained in the preliminary examination and in the court proceedings dealing with the illegal counter-revolutionary group, which under the leadership of the so-called "Leninist Centre," prepared and carried out the assassination of Kirov, that simultaneously counter-revolutionary, illegal activity was carried on in Moscow by the so-called "Moscow Centre."

This centre consisted of leaders of the former anti-Soviet Zinoviev group, which in spite of its capitulation did not cease its illegal work directed towards the realization of counter-revolutionary aims, in the spirit of the so-called Zinoviev-Trotsky platform.

The preliminary investigation established these facts and established that the following persons belonged to the "Moscow Centre": Yevdokimov, Gertik, Bakayev, Kameney, Sharov, Federov, Gershenin, who had gathered round themselves a number of the most active members of the former anti-Soviet Zinoviev group and established systematic connections with the members of the Leningrad group, who were condemned on December 28 and 29, by the Military Collegium of the Supreme Court of the U. S. S. R. on account of the assassination of Kirov.

The preliminary investigation established that the so-called Moscow Centre did not confine itself to maintaining connection with the illegal Leningrad group and various followers of this group in other towns, but acted as a political centre which for a number of years systematically guided the illegal counter-revolutionary activity both of the Moscow and the Leningrad group.

One of the main tasks of the

illegal counter-revolutionary Zinoviev group, headed by the Moscow Centre, was to maintain their "centres," rally their forces and foster feeling of resentment and open hatred towards the leaders of the Party and of the Soviet power among the members of their group.

The accused Federov, who described the activity of the counter-revolutionary illegal Zinoviev group, stated that the Zinoviev organization, when it withdrew into illegality, in order to maintain its "cadres" issued instruction to its followers to make deceitful and hypocritical declarations to the Party regarding their agreement with and submission to the decisions of the Party.

These double-dealing, treacherous methods of counter-revolutionary activity are a characteristic feature of the fighting method adopted by the members of the illegal counter-revolutionary Zinoviev group, who did not hesitate to use any means in order to achieve their aims.

The accused Bakayev, who told the Moscow Zinoviev counter-revolutionary centre had developed, stated:

"Our Centre did not possess a positive program to oppose to that of the C. C. of the Party. It only indulged in a spiteful, hostile criticism of the most important measures of the Party. This criticism was on a par with the white guardist emigrants' excrescences. This constituted the tragic aspect of our struggle against the Party. In our furious attacks on the Party we slid directly into the white-guardist, counter-revolutionary bog. Lenin was perfectly right when he said that the logic of the struggle drives every opposition to direct and undisguised counter-revolution. That is the outcome of our activity which must be admitted."

Safarov (one of the members of the group, whose case was separated from that of the other accused and held over for further investigation), in describing the counter-revolutionary methods employed by the illegal Zinoviev group in their struggle against the Soviet Power, stated:

"After repeated lively meetings in the year 1932, when the conspirators hoped to be able to take advantage of certain tempo-

rary difficulties in the transition period from the first to the second Five-Year Plan, all the illegal circles became frightened and returned into illegality when the counter-revolutionary group of Ryutin was smashed."

This was also the aim of the reports spread among the members of the illegal group regarding various home and foreign-political events accompanied by obvious counter-revolutionary comments and contained deliberate distortions of the real facts. This counter-revolutionary "information" was spread by members of the group closely in touch with Zinoviev and Yevdokimov, who misused their official position in the Soviet apparatus for criminal purposes. The investigation established that these were the methods employed by the members of the "Moscow Centre," Kukulkin, Gertik, Yevdokimov and Sharov, who maintained systematic counter-revolutionary connections with the members of the Leningrad Centre."

The illegal counter-revolutionary group did not hesitate to use any means in the struggle against the Soviet Power. The accused Federov stated:

"The members of the organization spread the basest calumnies and gossip about the Party leaders. The organization did not hesitate to spread calumnies and lies, distort facts, that is to say, all the most abominable means, taken from the arsenal of fascism, were employed."

Sharov also made the following statements regarding the counter-revolutionary degeneration of the Zinoviev group:

"We stewed in our own juice and more and more landed in a bog. All the thoughts and ideas of the members of the organization were directed to the ideological elaboration of a reactionary bourgeois restoration regime against socialism. Politically, all the counter-revolutionary anti-Party groups merged in illegality into a united reactionary mass. We became the condensed expression of the counter-revolutionary fury and hatred of the remnants of the exploiting class."

It is not due to chance that on this soil, infected with the poison of the illegal Zinoviev group, there sprang up truly fascist methods and open terrorist moods which

led to the abominable murder of Comrade Kirov.

That such moods arose logically from the whole character and the whole content of the illegal activity of the Zinoviev group is confirmed by a number of the accused, both among those who are involved in the present trial, as well as among those whose case is still at the stage of preliminary investigation. This is confirmed by the accused Zarkov, who described the shot fired by Nikolayev at Kirov as an outcome of the "extremist mood" which arose on the basis of the counter-revolutionary Zinoviev connections. The accused Bashkirov also declared: "The shot fired by Nikolayev was the outcome of his membership of and training in the counter-revolutionary Trotsky-Zinoviev organization and the whole Trotsky-Zinoviev counter-revolutionary organization bears the political responsibility for this deed."

The investigation has not established any facts which would furnish ground for directly charging the members of the "Moscow Centre" with having agreed to or issued instructions to prepare and carry out the terrorist act against Kirov. However, the whole situation and the whole character of the activity of the illegal counter-revolutionary "Moscow Centre" proves that they were aware of the terrorist tendencies among the members of this group and promoted these tendencies.

The accused leaders of the "Moscow Centre," Zinoviev, Yevdokimov, Gertik and Kameney, must bear not only the moral and political responsibility for the consequences of their illegal, counter-revolutionary activity, which drove their Leningrad group onto the path of terrorist deeds, but also bear responsibility before the Soviet laws. The accused themselves cannot do otherwise than assume moral and political responsibility.

Thus the accused Zinoviev declared in regard to his responsibility for the crime committed on December 1:

"The events took such a turn that I must admit with bowed head: the anti-Party struggle in the former years, which had assumed very acute forms in Leningrad, was bound to lead to the degeneration of these scoundrels. This vile murder threw such a light upon the whole Party struggle which we waged, that I have to admit: The Party is perfectly justified in its statements regarding the question of the political responsibility of the former anti-Party 'Zinoviev group' for the

murder of Kirov."

The accused, Bakayev, Gershenin, Federov, Yevdokimov, Sharov, Kukulkin and Gertik, admitted their membership of the "Moscow Centre." The accused Gessen, Perimov, Bravo, Gershenin, Pavlovich and Sachov likewise admitted their membership of the counter-revolutionary Zinoviev group.

The accused Zarkov, Anishev, Bashkirov and Tarasov admitted their participation in the Leningrad illegal, counter-revolutionary Zinoviev group. The accused Kameney pleaded guilty and confirmed that up to the year 1932 he had taken part in illegal, counter-revolutionary activity, that he belonged to the "Moscow Centre" and until recently had not severed his connection with Zinoviev. Kameney further admitted that "he had not thought energetically enough against that disintegration which was the result of the struggle against the Party, on the basis of which there arose the hand consisting of the scum of the former anti-Party organization, which was able to commit such a crime." The accused Zinoviev pleaded guilty and confirmed the existence of the Centre of the Zinoviev group and his participation in this centre.

According to the decisions of the Central Executive Committee of the U. S. S. R. of July 10 and December 1, 1934, the 19 accused persons were brought before the court of the U. S. S. R. All the accused were officials of the Soviet government and were formerly expelled from the ranks of the C. P. S. U. on account of their anti-Party fractional activity.

* Five and Ten Year Sentences.

At the trial held by the Military Collegium of the Supreme Court of the U. S. S. R. they were found guilty and given sentences of imprisonment ranging from five to ten years.

Zinoviev, as the chief organizer and most active leader of the illegal counter-revolutionary group of the "Moscow Centre" was given ten years imprisonment. The same term was given Gertik, Kukulkin, and Sachov as being most active members of the group. Sharov, Yevdokimov, Bakayev, Gershenin, and Zarkov for their activity were given eight years. Federov, Herzberger, Tarasov, Perimov, Anishev and Familovich were given six years each.

The Special Council of the People's Commissariat of the Interior sentenced 49 persons involved in the matter of the counter-revolutionary Zinoviev group to be interned in camps for criminals for a period of four to five years, and 29 other persons to be removed to various places in the country for the period of two to five years.

WORKERS! Act On These Bills For And Against Labor

THE WESTERN WORKER, the official organ of the Communist Party, U. S. A., is the only working class paper in California which is printing complete analyses of all these bills up before the legislature which are of vital importance to all workers.

The Western Worker not only gives day-by-day accounts of a labor legislation through its Sacramento Bureau but it plays a leading part in the fight against the vicious anti-labor bills, and for passage of the workers' own bills. The Western Worker has a correspondent at the Assembly to report all legislation of interest to workers.

Read the Western Worker. Keep yourself posted on the very latest developments in this struggle.

For the first time in the history of the California Legislature many workers bills have been introduced. But it will require the united support of all California workers to force their passage by the Legislature.

How To Fight For Passage Of Workers' Bills

These bills, proposed during the recent session, were assigned to various committees for consideration and recommendation. Workers and organizations should flood the committees to whom these bills have been referred with thousands of letters and postcards, demanding passage of these workers' bills. Workers should send letters to those committees, men, resident in the workers' own

ty or county. For example: A Francisco worker, wishing to recommend passage of the Unemployed Insurance Bill (791) will find it on this page under "Workers' Bills" together with a complete list of names and addresses of the committees to whom this bill has been referred (In this case the committee on the Judiciary); the San Francisco worker would then send his letters and postcards recommending passage of this bill to all members of the committee resident in San Francisco (In this case Brennan, Cronin, Dawson, Forblower, Peyser and Williamson.) Workers in all parts of California should follow the same procedure, thus assuring a statewide storm of demands and recommendations in favor of the passage of workers' bills.

Sample Postcard or Letter To:

William B. Hornblower
1530 Guerrero Street,
San Francisco, California.

I am writing to recommend (or demand) passage of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill—Assembly Bill No. 791.

(signed)

Below will be printed a complete list of these workers' bills with a short analysis of each and the names and addresses of the committees to whom these bills have been referred.

These assembliesmen, now in Sacramento, should be addressed at the State Capitol. The home addresses are given only so you will recognize your own assembliesman.

tinio; James F. Brennan, 26 5th Ave., San Francisco; Thomas F. Cunningham, 3065 Tyburn Ave., Los Angeles; Kenneth B. Dawson, 1124 Leavenworth St., San Francisco; Lee E. Geyer, 1126 Gardena Blvd., Gardena; Wilbur F. Gilbert, 3537 the Paseo, Los Angeles; Gardner Johnson, 2623 Haste St., Berkeley; Eleanor Miller, 251 S. Oakland Ave., Pasadena; Geoffrey F. Morgan, 478 24th St., Santa Monica; Ellis E. Patterson, King City; John Phillips, 213 N. 4th St., Banning; Ray Williamson, 756 Page St., San Francisco.

Fingerprinting

Assembly Bill 156 introduced by Assemblyman Cassidy and referred to the Committee on Governmental Efficiency and Economy. An act which would call it a misdemeanor for any police officer to fingerprint persons other than criminals.

COM. ON GOVERNMENTAL EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY
C. Don Field, 1532 N. Ridge-way Drive, Glendale; John Gee Clark, 45 Geneva Walk, Long Beach; Franklin A. Glover, 1203 N. Temple St., Compton; E. V. Latham, 504 N. 2nd St., Alhambra; Frank G. Martin, 754 Sacramento St., Altadena; Eleanor Miller, 251 S. Oakland Ave., Pasadena; Roy J. Nielsen, 651 21st St., Sacramento; Jefferson E. Peyser, 2001 California St., San Francisco; Fred Reeves, 583 W. 8th St., San Pedro; Charles W. Scream, Palm City, San Diego; F. W. Wright, 309 E. Camilla St., Whittier.

30-HR. WEEK

Assembly Bill No. 574 introduced by Assemblyman Pelletier, Voigt, etc., and referred to the Committee on Labor and Capital. This bill would establish a six hour day and five day week for manual labor with \$150 for overtime. Factory, hotel, laundry workers, etc., would work seven hours and five days with \$200 overtime; agricultural workers, nurses and servants would work 48 hours per week with double pay for overtime.

COM. ON LABOR & CAPITAL
Michael J. Burns (chairman), 1644 Summer St., Berkeley; H. Dewey Anderson, Box 186, Cupertino; James F. Brennan, 26 5th Ave., San Francisco; Gene Flint, 116 W. 52nd St., Los Angeles; Charles H. Hunt, 26712 J. Griffin Ave., Los Angeles; William Moseley Jones, 113 N. 21st St., Montebello; Thomas A. Maloney, 330 Texas St., San Francisco; John D. McCarthy, 1791 Loma Dr., Los Angeles; Henry P. Meacham, 646 42nd St., Oakland; Ellis E. Patterson, King City; John B. Pelletier, 256 S. Banker Hill Ave., Los Angeles; Rodney L. Turner, 1117 Jefferson St., Delano; Ernest O. Voigt, 3651 Cardiff Ave., Palmdale, Los Angeles.

END CHILD LABOR

Assembly Bill 792 introduced by Assemblyman Pelletier and referred to the Committee on Labor and Capital. An act to prohibit child labor. No child under 16 to be permitted to work. Any person, corporation or firm which employs a child under 16 years of age to be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a \$1000 fine. The State to provide support not less than \$5.00 per week for any child who would otherwise find it necessary to work for his own or his family's support.

(See Assembly Bill 574 for list of Committee on Labor and Capital.)

For Strike Rights

Assembly Bill No. 593 introduced by Assemblyman Cronin and referred to the Committee on Judiciary. An act which would prohibit any judge or court from placing any legal restraint on workers' right to picket, hold meetings, issue hand bills, etc., during a strike.

(See under Bill 419 for names of Committee on Judiciary.)

Assembly Bill No. 162 introduced by Assemblyman Cronin and referred to Committee on Judiciary. A still more comprehensive act prohibiting judges or courts from interfering with workers' rights to strike, to belong to unions of hold meetings, etc. This important bill will be analyzed in full in a coming issue of the Western Worker.

(For members of Committee on Judiciary see under Bill 419.)

Vagrancy Frame-ups

Assembly Bill No. 1047 introduced by Mr. Richie and referred to the Committee on Judiciary. An act relating to the definition of vagrants which would prevent workers from being railroaded to jail on fake charges of "vagrancy".

(For members of Committee on Judiciary see under Bill 419.)

ANTI-LYNCHING

Assembly Bill No. 945 introduced by Mr. Hawkins and referred

CALIFORNIA WORKERS!

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Do you know that these bills call for unemployment insurance which would guarantee every unemployed worker a minimum relief of \$10 per week?

Do you know that there are bills proposed which would force the bosses to recognize and deal with unions of the workers' own choosing?

It is your duty as a worker to learn about these bills. It is your duty to help force the passage of these bills through the legislature.

red to Committee on Crime Problems. An act against lynching and providing penalties. (Hawkins also introduced Assembly Joint Resolution No. 21 against lynching.)

COM. ON CRIME PROBLEMS
Eleanor Miller, (chairman), 251 S. Oakland Ave., Pasadena; James F. Brennan, 26 5th Ave., San Francisco; Charles W. Fisher, 189 Florence Ave., Oakland; Joseph L. Gilmore, 442 Excelsior Ave., San Francisco; Augustus E. Hawkins, 1336 E. 40th St., Los Angeles; Gardner Johnson, 2623 Haste St., Berkeley; Frank G. Martin, 754 Sacramento St., Altadena.

Assembly Bill No. 1101 introduced by Richie, referred to the Committee on Corporations. Every county and municipal corporation to be held responsible for the death of any person by lynching or otherwise, committed or caused by mobs or riots within its corporate limits. A penalty from \$2000 to \$10,000 to be paid the legal representatives of any person so put to death.

Anti-Militarism

Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 50 introduced by Richie and referred to Com. on Constitutional Amendments. An amendment guaranteeing the right of any student at the University of California to refuse military training.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Assembly Bill 1183 introduced by Pelletier, referred to Committee on Social Service and Welfare. A bill providing for the protection, welfare and assistance of aged and disabled persons in need.

VIGILANTES

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 28 introduced by Richie, referred to Committee on Federal Relations. A bill to decentralize the Senate of the U. S. to conduct an investigation into vigilantes in California and throughout the U. S.

ANTI-LABOR BILLS

The Western Worker, Sacramento Bureau has copies of no less than 26 anti-labor bills which have been introduced to the legislature. Any other bills of this nature which have not yet been secured from the State Printing Bureau will be analyzed in subsequent issues of the Western Worker. Of the 27 bills here described, three stand out as notorious fascist measures introduced by three notorious reactionary Assemblymen: Lyon, Redwine and Martin.

How To Fight Against Anti-Working Class Bills

The method for fighting anti-labor bills is the same as that employed in fighting for passage of workers' bills. These fascist bills have also been referred to committees. A mass campaign of protest in the form of thousands of letters and postcards must be directed at the committees to whom these bills are referred under consideration. It is possible to kill these vicious bills in committee, but this can only be done by the united protest of workers from all parts of California.

Do you know that the reactionary forces of California, the bankers and the wealthy industrialists, are attempting to force vicious anti-working class bills through the State Legislature? These bills aim at the complete suppression of all working class organizations at the outlawing of strikes, at the imprisonment of all militant workers and working class leaders!

It is your duty, to yourself and to your families, to learn about these bills. It is your duty to join with the workers all over California in the fight to prevent passage of these anti-working class bills in the present session of the legislature.

BILL OF RIGHTS

Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 49 introduced by Richie and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments. Guaranteeing complete constitutional rights to any person, group or association regardless of political, economic, or social views or affiliations.

COM. ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

E. V. Latham, (chairman), 504 N. 2nd St., Alhambra; Ford A. Chatters, 420 N. Mirabe Ave., Lindsay; Gordon E. Corwin, 259 Pacific Ave., Highland; Thomas J. Cunningham, 3065 Tyburn St., Los Angeles; Earl D. Desmond, R. F. D. 1, Box 125, Galt; Ralph W. Evans, 7743 2nd Ave., Los Angeles; C. Don Field, 1532 N. Ridge-way Drive, Glendale; J. E. Frazier, Grady; James D. Garibaldi, 43 22nd St., Merced; John B. Pelletier, 256 S. Banker Hill Ave., Los Angeles; Kent H. Redwine, 1918 W. Los Angeles Ave., Hollywood; Clarence B. Walker, Westmontland; Frank J. Waters, 1163 4th Ave., Los Angeles.

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Teachers Censored

Assembly Bill No. 4 introduced by Martin and referred to the Committee on Education. This bill would require every teacher to take an oath of allegiance and refrain from any criticism of the present form of government or social systems.

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ganzes or becomes a member of an organization advocating the overthrow of the government; who attends revolutionary workers' meetings or permits his room or house to be used as a meeting place, etc. This bill also makes it a felony for any person to have in his possession any literature suggesting or advocating the overthrow of the government and further provides for the destruction of any such literature as a public nuisance. This bill, like the Criminal Syndicalism Law, would be used for breaking strikes and railroad militant working class leaders to the penitentiary. It is aimed directly at the Communist Party but is of vital importance to every worker in California. FIGHT THIS FASCIST BILL! Send protests to the members on the Committee on Judiciary.

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By MICHAEL QUTIN

PRESENTING A MINUTE
THEATRE OF THE C.S.
TRIAL

Act I.
Scene: The court. A lot of mahogany fixtures and a jury of stuffed dummies.

BAILIFF (Thumping the table): The court is now in session.

BARCOCK (Rising): If your honor please, I am the newly elected District Attorney. I will take over the prosecution of this case in accordance with the duties of my office.

MALLISTER (Rising): If your honor please, I won't do anything of the kind. I've done this case and if anyone unfamiliar with the evidence tries to handle it, the innocence of the defendants will become evident even to the jury. (Waves toward jury). It is going to take considerable handling to get a conviction on such thin evidence. The Attorney General recognizes this fact and, at the request of William Randolph Hearst, has appointed myself and my two assistants special prosecutors in order to please the people.

CHORUS FROM AUDIENCE: To please us, hell! We kicked that bum out in the last election.

JUDGE LEMMON (Thumping): Order in the court. The audience must refrain from applause.

AUDIENCE: Applause, my eye! Out with him! We elected Babcock.

MALLISTER (To himself): Mm! A regular ovation.

JUDGE: Enough! The court has ruled. No more applause.

GALLAGHER (Rising): Your honor, I object. The Attorney General is assuming fascist authority and appointing McAllister over the heads of the people's vote.

JUDGE: (Condescendingly): Well, Mr. Gallagher, the court feels that the Attorney General is perfectly competent to decide in this matter and is acting in the best interests of the people.

GALLAGHER: Your honor, I want to point out to you that the newspapers are carrying headlines: "MALLISTER TO MARCH ON CITY." This is a deliberate, vicious lie designed to prejudice the public against the defendants.

FIRST SPECTATOR: Huh! The Red's are coming!

SECOND SPECTATOR: Nah. Didn't you hear him say it was a lie?

FIRST SPECTATOR (Disappointed): Oh.

MALLISTER: Whatta ya mean, he? I seen it in the Western Worker. Five thousand of 'em with machine guns on trucks are coming to seize the government.

GALLAGHER: Mr. McAllister, you're a liar.

JUDGE: Well, Mr. Gallagher, the court does not care to enter into any such matters at this time. Proceed, Mr. McAllister with your case.

MALLISTER (Making opening address to jury of dummies): Now here's the idea. These seventeen defendants were all set to overthrow the government and grab everything when we caught them in the act. Stalin told them to do it, and that's what I'm going to prove. They want to burn down all the churches and establish free love. They're awful. Under the tyranny of a Communist Soviet Bolshevik Russian government they would abolish derby hats and make everybody shine his own shoes. They'd take the brief cases away from the bankers and give them to the communists. They want to make everything alike and one thing would be just the same as another by the time they got through. They'd close down all the movies and make everybody read Karl Marx. They go about trying to cause trouble by telling the unemployed that they're unemployed and making contented workers who really want their wages reduced, strike and demand more wages. Defendants, Pat Chambers and Caroline Decker frightened 18,000 cotton pickers to go on strike against their will and wouldn't let them go back to work even when the growers said they'd forgive them and not punish them. Besides, they don't want to go to war and they keep telling everybody else not to go to war. And they're doing all this because Stalin asked them to.

(To Be Continued)

University Students
Prepare Anti-War
Strike On April 5

BERKELEY, Calif., March 7.—Active work for participation in the nationwide student strike against imperialist war, scheduled to take place Friday, April 5, is going forward at the University of California campus. In the sister university in Los Angeles similar action is being prepared.

Committees have been formed on a broad basis to make the preparations for the strike which is to halt all activities in the universities from coast to coast for one hour as a mighty unified protest against war.

Last year 25,000 American students walked out of classes in such a demonstration of their determination not to fight for Wall Street, and this year it is expected that three to four times as many will walk out.

The first act of the Berkeley antiwar committee was to protest bills at present before the Sacramento Legislature, one of which would prevent any antiwar, anti-ROTC activity.

JOBLESS MEET

(Continued from Page 1.)

ern Worker, will be one of the main speakers.

* L. A. Demonstration.

Meanwhile at Los Angeles Sunday afternoon thousands of workers will demonstrate in support of the Congress and the fight for unemployment insurance at a mass meeting to be held in the Los Angeles Plaza. The meeting will begin at 2 p. m.

The forces of fascism and repression—police, special deputies, hired thugs, American Legionnaires and vigilante organizations—armed by special permit from Sacramento authorities, are reported preparing an attempt to intimidate the delegates to the Congress.

On Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock the main business of the Congress will be taken up—forming a strong united front in support of the State Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill, A. B. 791. From the floor of the Congress a delegation will be chosen to present to the State Legislature, now in session at Sacramento, the demand of the Congress and the millions of unemployed California workers that the Workers' Bill be taken out of committee and brought to the floor of the Legislature for immediate consideration.

As part of the struggle against criminal relief cuts a committee was elected at a mass meeting of unemployed in San Francisco Wednesday night to take the grievances of scores of workers before the local and state relief directors on Saturday when the entire State Relief Committee will be in session here.

* Big Delegations.

San Francisco is sending approximately fifty delegates to the Unemployed Congress. Sixty or more are expected to go from Oakland and other East Bay points and a like number will attend from Los Angeles. In addition scores of smaller towns and cities have elected delegates. American Federation of Labor locals, professional and fraternal groups, political clubs, churches and foreign language groups all have contributed delegates. In addition many individuals, employed and unemployed workers, are preparing to meet at Sacramento.

In face of increases in relief rolls throughout the state which have brought the total on relief up to the 1,200,000 mark, the State Relief Committee with Frank Y. McLaughlin at its head, has already ordered the closing of many work relief projects and is laying plans for the closing of scores more within the next week. A drive against so-called "ineligibles" has resulted in scores of militant workers being fired from the rolls.

Thousands of workers on work relief projects face criminal wage cuts as they are taken off projects and placed on direct relief. Acting on orders from National Relief Administrator, Hopkins, Roosevelt appointee, California relief officials have ruled direct relief budgets must be kept at least 15 per cent lower than those allowed on work relief. Roosevelt has ruled that in no case are work relief budgets to be as high as prevailing wage rates paid by private employers.

Arrange Wind-Up Affairs
For The Western Worker Drive!

San Francisco is arranging a Western Worker Banquet on March 23!
Los Angeles has a Mass Rally scheduled for March 15!

HOW ABOUT OTHER SECTIONS AND CITIES?

All sympathetic Mass Organizations are urged to arrange house-parties and meetings to make a last minute drive to Raise Funds and get subscriptions for the Western Worker.

Although not as far behind as the financial drive, figures on which were published in the last issue, the Subscribers' Army Recruiting Drive is also poor—You know your quotas! Let's see what you can do in the final 10 days of the drive!

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C. S. TRIAL

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account. McAllister paced up and down uncomfortably like a man who had turned on a hydrant and didn't know how to shut it off again. The explanation continued until Judge Lemmon called a halt.

From this point on, McAllister's face was the color of a radish. He continued to stammer the witness stand with questions and each time suffered a more ignominious defeat than before. He asked: How many strikes have you directed? What is the difference between Socialism and Communism? What is the difference between the Socialist Party and the Communist Party? Where do you receive your instructions from? What is meant by the "illegality of the Party"? What is meant by the right of the Party to expel sections? What is the difference between trade unions and revolutionary unions?

At this point, the Judge, who, since the trial has become a college of Communism, has learned something of working class terminology, interrupted with, "I guess you mean reformist trade unions and revolutionary unions, Mr. McAllister."

* Strikes Out Blindly.

In almost every instance, McAllister tried to stop Darcy half way through the answer to the question. Before long it became evident that he was striking out blindly and madly in hope that if he asked enough questions Darcy would eventually advocate the massacre of humanity.

He asked about thirty more questions so various in their subjects that Darcy was able in his answer to give a remarkably complete and concise survey of the whole Communist movement and to leave no doubt as to the nature of capitalism and its ultimate destiny.

On the subject of the exact stage of establishing a Workers' and Farmers' government, McAllister wanted to know: "And how would the workers go about accomplishing this?"

"That depends upon what your class does," Darcy replied.

At one point, McAllister tried to use a shoddy and distorting trick that the prosecution has made use of through the trial; that of pretending the witness said something entirely different from his actual statement. "Oh, I see," he said. "Then the ultimate aim of Communism is to abolish society?" This brought down such an avalanche of laughter on his

head that the Judge had to call for order.

* Reopen Direct Examination.

At the close of cross-examination, Attorney Leo Gallagher reopened direct examination and cleared up the few points that had been left open. The fact that all Communist Party literature is openly published, displayed, sold and shipped through the mails, that all Party resolutions, decisions and programs, far from being secret, are printed and made available to the public were emphasized. The nature of the dictatorship of capitalism now prevailing in the U. S. was explained as well as the marked trend toward fascism.

In all his answers to McAllister, Darcy stressed that no revolution is either advisable or possible until the vast majority of people want and are ready to struggle and make sacrifices for it.

The high spot of yesterday's session was the appearance of two Negro laborers from the San Joaquin Valley who testified for the defendants. This testimony, together with that of five other valley witnesses who took the stand yesterday, made further wreckage of the battered remains of the "strike fomenting" frame-up which McAllister tried to construct on the perjury of five vigilantes.

* Growers Indicted.

The continuous parade of small farmers and workers through the court in the past two weeks has amounted virtually to a mass demonstration which has trampled the prosecution's lies so thoroughly that nothing remains but an indictment against the large growers and agricultural finance companies.

When the question is put to the cotton pickers, "What is your occupation?" they invariably reply with marked proletarian pride, "I am a common laborer."

Each of yesterday's witnesses repeated the story of the infamous murder of two workers by vigilantes in Pixley on Oct. 10, 1933, from the standpoint of a participant from a different angle. So many witnesses of the killing have testified to date that the court has viewed this degeneration of American justice through the eyes of observers of the most dramatic stories in California labor history.

* Escaped With Baby.

Lilly Denme, wife of a cotton

picker and mother of three children, told of how she was in the hall giving a drink of water to her baby when the armed growers from every corner of the street, from inside the union hall, from back of the hall and various positions in the crowd, threw many pieces together into one opened fire. Bullets crashed through the windows and came out her head. She picked up her baby and escaped through a rear door and concealed herself in a lavatory in the yard. When bullets began hitting against the lavatory, she fled with her baby through the back alley, catching a glimpse of Raymond E. Cato, Chief of the State Highway patrol, lounging in a big white patrol car concealed in a side street. He was hidden here all during the shooting and afterward made no arrests. Cato was sent to Pixley for the purpose of "preventing violence."

The clerk and manager in a feed and poultry store two doors from the union hall testified to the guilt of the growers. The fact that the workers were maimed and maintained the strictest discipline against violence and provocation throughout the cotton strike has been emphasized by a score of witnesses.

Aida Handler, student at the University of California, testified regarding meetings and demonstrations in Los Angeles in 1929, she refuted the lies of Carl Abbott, member of the Los Angeles Red Squad who testified for the prosecution last month.

* Protest Vigilante Threats.

Two protests were raised yesterday by the defense; one against the vigilantes who are openly drilling with pick handles back of the hall park, and the other against the attempted suppression of the twice weekly L. L. D. trial bulletin issued in Sacramento.

Gallagher made a forceful plea against the open preparations for terrorism which are acknowledged to be aimed at the State Unemployed convention due here March 15. He reviewed all these activities and warned that if any violence occurred the guilt would be on the vigilantes and the authorities who countenance them. He also cited that such provocations would have the double purpose of bolstering McAllister's collapsing case and railroaded suppressive laws through the Legislature. Judge Lemmon, after a sharp exchange of words, stamped out of the courtroom, refusing to listen.

Martin Wilson protested the attack on the L. L. D. bulletin which flays McAllister for coloring his case with "Americanism" and at the same time making mockery of every principle of freedom Americanism is supposed to stand for.

* Bail for Last Two.

Bail bonds were presented for the liberation of Fred Kirkwood and A. G. Ford, the two defendants who are still in jail. Minor technicalities were cited which necessitate that these bonds be made out all over again. It is expected the two comrades will be free by tomorrow night when the correction is made.

They report that every night when they are returned to the "tank" from the courthouse, the other prisoners greet them with the mass shout of "ALL POWER TO THE WORKERS!", which puts the jailers in fits of rage.

Dreamland Meet

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series of mass protest meetings. At the meeting Sunday night in Meyer's Hall, East Oakland, 200 vigilantes, headed by Norma Conklin, were estimated about \$30 to the defense. The fifteen on trial in Sacramento may night in San Jose, the Santa Clara County United Front Conference is holding a mass meeting at which Caroline Decker will speak.

* Illinois Protest.

A conference held in Springfield, Ill., Feb. 25, for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law of Illinois, the 88 delegates assembled from every part of the state, representing 33 organizations, with a combined membership of 46,288 resolved to write letters of solidarity to Tom Moorman, Warren K. Billings, J. B. McNamara, the Scottsboro boys, the Sacramento C. S. Defendants and Oregon defendants.

MAJOR FIGHT

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It authorizes legislative bodies of counties and cities to tax the legislature at the taxpayers' expense. The Senate adopted unanimously a resolution inviting Secretary of Labor Perkins to address a joint session of the Assembly and Senate. Both houses adjourned early.

All indications point to a squabble over Merriam's tax proposals. Merriam, who squawked plenty during his campaign for Governor about reducing governmental expenditures, is calling for the huge budget of 275½ millions of which \$154,600,000 must be raised by new taxes. Such a sum could very easily be raised by a tax on incomes of rich individuals and corporations and on inheritances but Merriam, faithful to his capitalist masters who put him in the governor's chair, proposes to squeeze this money out of California workers, farmers and small business men by taxes on beer, tobacco and cigarettes, on theater and sport tickets, on gasoline, on gas and electricity, etc.

He also proposes to rob 42 million dollars from the people by jumping the sales tax up to 3 per cent. Merriam faces little real opposition in the Senate except from a minority group headed by Senator Olson, but the Assembly under pressure from the workers will put up some kind of a scrap.

But the matter of paramount importance to workers and farmers of California is the coming fight between the fascist bills and the working class measures which were introduced at the last session.

The Associated Press took notice of this pending fight in an article released recently. Said the A. P.: "Opposing political philosophies in California, aggravated by the San Francisco general strike, the Epic of Upton Sinclair and the current cry of 'death to Communism,' appeared tonight to be working toward another test of strength." The A. P. might have added that the bosses are scared by the huge increase in Communist Party votes in the recent elections and by the exposure of capitalism and of capitalist court procedure in the current trial in Sacramento of 16 workers.

GARRISON

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The meeting was called to hear speakers on the progress made by the fight for Unemployment Insurance. The first speaker who had the stand was covering the subject of Hearst when Officer John J. Keane, patrolman No. 1308, tried to break up the gathering and ordered him to stop speaking. A large crowd of workers gathered while the policeman was told that the constitution guaranteed American citizens the right of freedom of speech and assembly. The cop was told that the workers had been informed they didn't need a permit.

Finally the cop went to call up headquarters to find out for himself. While he was gone, Garrison took the stand and was speaking on unemployment insurance and the demonstration that had taken place that same morning which forced the stoppage of the 20 per cent relief cut, when the cop reappeared, grabbed him by the coat tearing it in shreds, and tried to pull him off the stand. Then the cop took out his stick and waved it around menacingly while a still larger crowd of workers gathered.

Enraged by the militancy displayed by these workers, Police Officer Keane dragged the speaker down.

In the Ellis Street station, Officer Keane and another uniformed thug proceeded to knock Garrison down and slug him unmercifully, breaking three ribs and fracturing two vertebrae.

Booked at the Ellis street station and later transferred to the central station Garrison was charged with three counts: "Unlawful Assembly," "Resisting an officer" and "§1000 Vagrancy." At the police court hearing the first charge of "Unlawful Assembly" was dropped and bail was set at \$250.

Garrison will be arraigned in Judge Ames' court. Workers should send protests to Chief of Police Quinn and Mayor Rossi demanding that Officer Keane, No. 1308 be immediately discharged and that all charges be dropped against Garrison.

AMADOR

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Vandeleur" appeared on the scene and attempted to raise additional bail.

When Warren was informed that the L. L. D. had supplied the bail money, he flew into a fury and threatened the crowd. The union, the Mother Lode Miners, with threats that "support of the State Federation of Labor," such as it has been, would be withdrawn if the bail was accepted.

Although the union officials were impressed with Warren's assertions, the strike committee is not fooled, however. They know that Warren is present in Jackson for no good purpose, that the prisoners are in jail precisely because they were the most militant workers and that this interference by Warren is just another example of the bureaucracy and sabotage that is breaking the spirit of the miners who have held out for months in the bravest fashion. The committee knows that the strikers were near to success when the bureaucrats from San Francisco appeared on the scene.

The secretary of the committee told the L. L. D. representative that the question of accepting bail would be properly taken up at the next meeting of the strike committee on Thursday. He was assured that the bail would be available at any time and that the L. L. D. was ready and eager to assist in raising bail for the remaining prisoners.

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DR. GEO. P. HEDLEY—Director American Civil Liberties Union
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MARCH 29, 30, 31—

Annual I. L. D. Bazaar. All workers' organizations are urged to cooperate with the I. L. D. and asked not to arrange any other affairs during these dates.

PARIS COMMUNE CELEBRATION—Mission Turner Hall, 3541—18th St., Sunday, March 17, at 8:00 p. m. Excellent musical program, speakers.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE BAZAAR Conference, held every Tuesday night at 1740 O'Farrell St., at 8:00 p. m. All organizations are urged to send representatives. Time is getting short.

SAVE THE DATE! March 16th I. W. O. English Branch 599. Big Costume Ball at Redmen's Hall, 3053—16th St. SAVE THE DATE!

CELEBRATION AND DANCE in support of delegates to Sacramento Unemployment Insurance Convention—Collingwood Hall, corner 18th and Collingwood, bet. Castro and Diamond, 1 block off Market St. Sat. March 9, 8 p. m. Adm. 20c. Auspices Committee for Unemployment Insurance.

SAVE THE DATE—WED. MAR. 20—Hear HANS EISLER, world famous composer of workers' songs in a recital of his own compositions and his lecture, "Culture in Germany Today."

SUNDAY NIGHT, MARCH 10, Circulo Galileo, 779 Vallejo St. Dance and entertainment, Spanish music and speakers. Benefit Western Worker and Victims of Fascist Terror in Spain. Admission 25c. Everybody welcome.

Oakland

KEEP THIS DATE OPEN—March 16th, Big I. L. D. Affair to be held at Commodore Hall, 1819 Tenth St., Berkeley, Calif. Auspices: East Bay I. L. D. Branch.

CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, Saturday, March 9, at 7:30 p. m., Commodore Hall, 1819 Tenth St., Berkeley. Speaking, entertainment, dancing. Proceeds will go to support working women's press. Admission 15c. Speakers: Helga Aho, Mimi Carson.

Los Angeles

YOUTH SECTION, INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER DANCE, Mar. 9, at Hollywood Workers' Club, 1116 N. Lillian Way. Entertainment, refreshments.

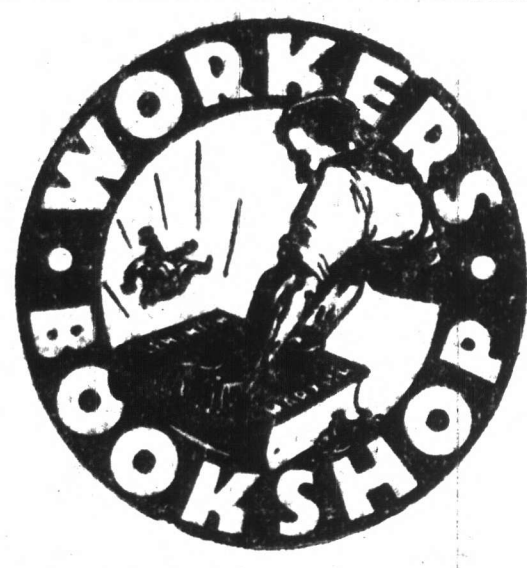
WORKERS' FORUM—230 South Spring St., at 8:00 p. m., Sunday, March 10—M. Zimmerman, "Imperialist Development in Japan." Admission 10c.

NATURE FRIENDS—Mar. 10—Gold Springs Trip, by Monrovia Peak Trail. Leave Sierra Vista Station at 8:15 a. m. Leader: R. Hall.

RESERVE FRIDAY, MARCH 15 for county-wide mass meeting, auspices: Western Worker, Sam Darcy, principal speaker. Mason Opera House, 127 So. Broadway, Los Angeles. DO NOT ARRANGE OTHER AFFAIRS ON THIS DATE.

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"There is not a single state, however democratic, which does not contain loopholes in its Constitution guaranteeing the bourgeoisie the legal possibility of despatching troops against the workers, in case the exploited class 'disturbs' its position of slavery and tries to behave in a non-slavish manner."

(The Proletarian Revolution and the Renegade Kautsky, P. 27)

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The Legislature Reconvenes

The re-convening of the California State Legislature last Monday, following a recess of one month in which to study and decide on the hundreds of bills introduced, again makes Sacramento the focal point of working class interests. The actions taken by this body on the new laws and revisions will have immediate effect upon our pay envelopes, our standard of living and our freedom.

There are 48 bills which vitally concern every worker. These are divided into three classes:

1—Bills for the ruthless suppression of working class organization and struggle. These have been drafted by employers' groups and introduced by the reactionary representatives who comprise a majority in the Legislature. In every case they are disguised as laws to suppress Communism.

2—"Decey" bills designed to provide fake substitutes for the demands of the working class. These intended "appeasers" of an aroused working class which showed its strength in the mass struggles of 1934, are likewise designed by the employers' groups.

3—Definitely favorable working class bills introduced by a liberal and working class minority in the Legislature. It is significant that these absolutely parallel, but directly oppose every so-called "anti-Communist" measure.

Let's not fool ourselves. This minority cannot outvote the reactionary majority. If we sit back and wait for the newspapers to tell you the result, we're going to find ourselves shackled with a set of anti-labor laws unprecedented outside of wartimes. WE MUST EXPRESS OURSELVES IMMEDIATELY.

If these working class bills receive powerful working class support, they can be passed. If these anti-labor bills meet with powerful working class protest, they can be smashed. But this support and protest must be expressed in a practical, effective manner.

Elsewhere in this issue you will find a summary of the main bills and the names of the Legislators.

Write to both your Assemblyman and Senator today.

Have your organization or your union local draft a protest and send it to the State Capitol, addressed to the representatives from your District. DEMAND PASSAGE OF THE WORKERS' UNEMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL INSURANCE BILL 791 AND BILL 419, FOR THE REPEAL OF THE CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM LAW.

Drilling With Pickhandles

The bosses want trouble. And that's why they are drilling vigilantes with pick handles in the fair grounds and back of the ball park in Sacramento. If you go out there and ask them what they're doing, they will tell you they are getting ready for the Reds who are going to storm the Capitol on March 10.

Everyone knows that no Red army is marching on Sacramento. But they want trouble on this date because they want a fake excuse for railroadng their fascist laws through the Legislature and to provide a red scare cover up for the infamous Criminal Syndicalism trial going on in the same town.

The State Unemployed Convention is being held in Sacramento March 10. This is a peaceful, orderly assembly of delegates from unemployed groups and unions throughout the state, meeting to exercise their constitutional right to petition the Legislature to pass the WORKERS' UNEMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL INSURANCE BILL 791.

For months this convention has been heralded in Sacramento by provocative news articles announcing that an army of armed Reds are going to storm the city. There is no question that this vicious nonsense is the forerunner of intended provocative violence by boss agents. BUT THIS MANEUVER CAN BE SPIKED. Already advance protest has risen in Sacramento which must be supported from all over the state!

Address your protest to City Manager James Dean, Sacramento City Hall, and to Governor Merriam, the State Capitol, Sacramento. Demand proper protection for the delegates and announce that if any violence occurs, the whole state of California will know that it was a treacherous frame-up. Declare that you hold the city and state officials in Sacramento responsible.

Imperialist "Expansion" Plans

In 1931, Japan reached the end of the "talking stage" in her imperialist expansion plans, and began her conquest of Manchuria. She has since invaded and taken Jehol province, and begun her drive into inner Mongolia. All this time, the Japanese war-mongers have had their eye on the Soviet Union. They have been consolidating their forces, strengthening their position, attempting to provoke the Soviet Union into a war.

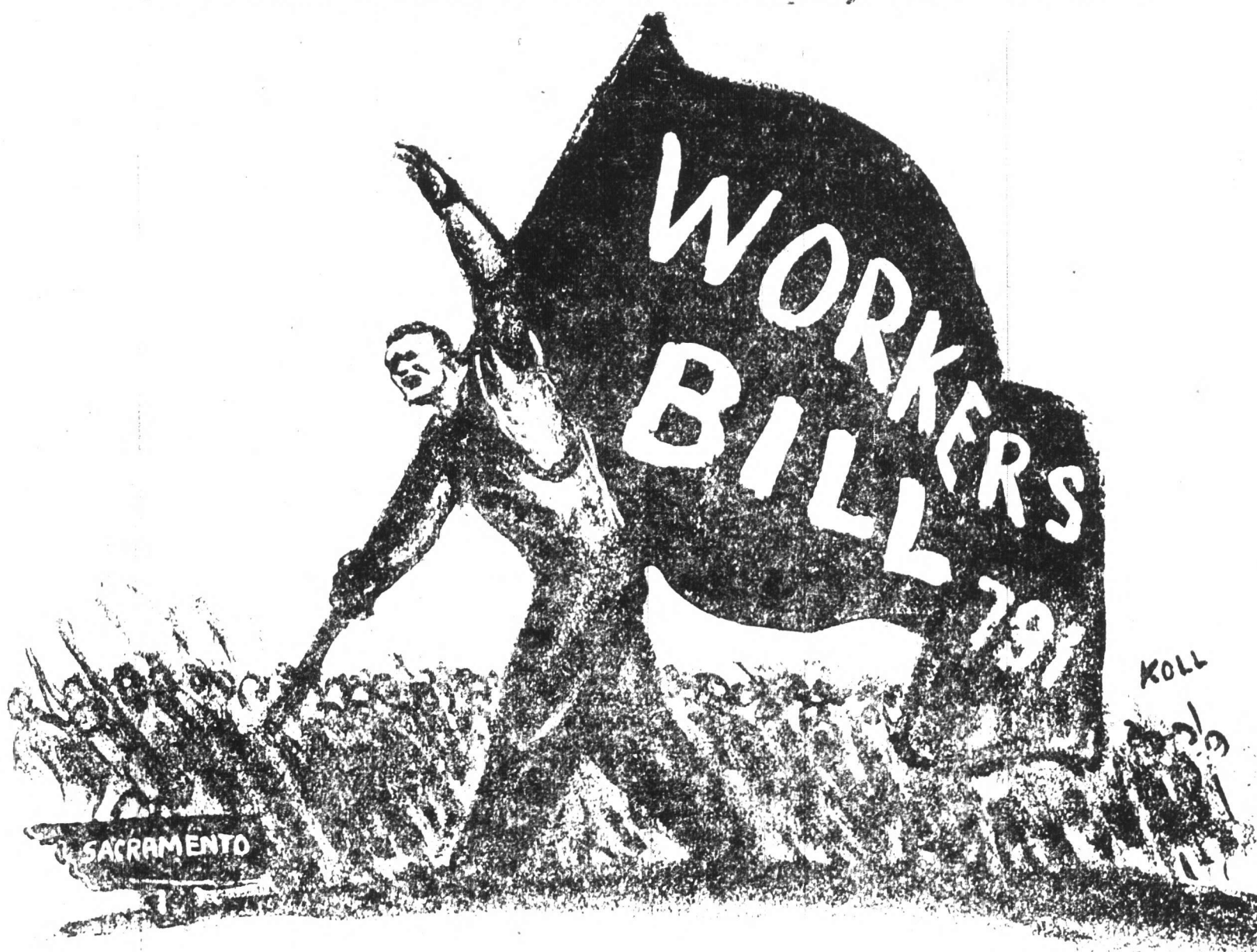
Now the chief enemy of the Soviet Union in Europe, Fascist Germany, is talking about her "need for expansion." Encouraged by her successful budgegacing of the people of the Saar into voting for their return to Germany, Hitler is casting eyes across the sea, "intent on regaining Germany's lost colonies in South-West Africa," as the Fascist press puts it.

But Hitler, too, while talking of expansion into West Africa, has his eyes fixed greedily on the Soviet Union! This is where he wants to see Germany's "need for expansion" satisfied!

Japan from the East and Germany from the West, both are feverishly preparing for the opportune time to seize the slightest excuse or manufacture one, for a war of intervention against the Soviet Union.

But these imperialist powers are biting off more than they can chew. Not only will they find 170,000,000 million people in the Soviet Union determined that no imperialist robbers shall take from them the freedom they won through revolutionary struggle—but the German and Japanese financiers and war lords will find "their own" working classes will not long bear arms against their fellow-workers

On to Sacramento for Real Unemployment Insurance



YCL UNIT LEADS IN VICTORIOUS STRIKE OF OYSTER PICKERS

RAYVIEW, Wash., Mar. 1

Militant activity under the leadership of Young Communist League members of the Fishermen and Amery Workers' Industrial Union, won a pay increase and other concessions for all workers in the oyster beds of the Puget Sound area.

Men had been working day and night, exposed to the bitter weather, standing for hours in mud and ice. The scale of pay was 50 cents per 25 bushel basket, of which they were allowed only 25 cents per basket for each man. The most a man could earn in a day was \$2.50, and the normal wage in many cases was 75 cents per day.

Strike action was designed, and many of the workers, signed up in the union. Before complete union organization could be formed, the strike was called because of the overwhelming demand for it on the part of all the workers. YCL members led the strike, and many of the workers, signed up in the union. Before complete union organization could be formed, the strike was called because of the overwhelming demand for it on the part of all the workers.

The committee won a 50 to 75 per cent raise in pay per basket, and a closed shop to provide proper shelter in transporting them to and from the oyster beds.

After the strike was over, the YCL elected officers, and three YCL members were placed on the executive board.

After the temporary closing of the season, until picking resumes in some two YCL members who had been most active in the leadership were told they could not work any more in the beds. Realizing that this attempt to blacklist these two leaders is an attempted blow against the entire union, the union is mobilizing its forces to defend these militant comrades.

Witnesses Needed By C. S. Defense

CARL ABBOTT, formerly a stool pigeon in the Communist Party and now a member of the L. A. Red Squad, testified at the Criminal Syndicalism trial in Sacramento that on Mar. 8, 1934 at a mass meeting at the Walker Auditorium, Los Angeles, Carl Sklar who was later arrested in Imperial Valley said:

"After the revolution we will shoot down the bourgeoisie and strip the silks and satins from their women and make them crawl on their bellies through the mud and mire."

Difficult though it is to meet such false evidence after so many years, nevertheless WE MUST have witnesses who were at that meeting and can testify as to the truth of what was really said. ANYONE WHO CAN DO THIS, PLEASE IMMEDIATELY GET IN TOUCH WITH DEFENSE ATTORNEY LEO GALLAGHER, BOX 646, SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

McAlister Runs From Pioneers

SACRAMENTO, March 1.—Social Prosecutor Neil McAlister was terrified by three children in the corridor of the court house today. At the door to the courtroom against fifteen working class organizers, and facing the courtroom at noon recess, he was approached by three children, a white, a Negro girl and a white boy, who held him a short of breath.

McAlister reacted then with the warning, "Go for me!" and the children began to run. When the children began to run, the courtroom prosecutor's face looked the red of a clown. He then wrote a letter from workers' children on the floor and posted it down the hall as fast as his fat legs would carry him.

The children from the Los Angeles YOUNG PIONEERS then proceeded to the newspaper office of the reactionary Sacramento Post, and the Sacramento Union, where they delivered similar post letters and asked the signatories of the large body of children they were representing.

Each of the children wore a blue button, "REPEAL THE ANTI-LABOR CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM LAW." These children buttons are blossoming out on the backs of the workers who are the real and true victims of the law.

The New Deal And The Negro

By Pettis Perry, I. L. O. Organizer, Los Angeles.

After the beginning of the Roosevelt New Deal, all of the Negro people began to applaud the New Deal as the savior of the Negro people. But what followed?

Since the inauguration of the N.R.A. in 1933, and each year since, the Negro people have continued to be disappointed. The Negro people have been shown in the case of George Ann, a well known and famous Negro pianist, and many others, the numerous of the continued mismanagement of the nine innocent "Scottsboro Boys."

All of these things happened without one protest from the cabinet of the New Deal Government.

In order to understand the Negro people, we must look to the South under the New Deal. The Negro people have been but to take just one glance at the N.R.A. notes put out by the National Research Association for January, 1935.

"After the effective date of the code, the Mail-Well Government Company continued to pay its Negro employees on the flat rate of \$6.15 a week for a 40-hour week. The new 40-hour week represented a reduction in hours, but the employees were required to make the same weekly average number of pieces as had been required prior to the reduction in hours."

In January, 1934, one of the Negro women complained of the code violation. On January 30, 1934, all of the Negro workers at the plant were dismissed. The employees gave as a reason for the mass layoff the "inefficiency" of the Negro workers.

Out of 2,000,000 Negro women employed in industry, only 25

per cent come under the N.R.A. codes, according to Mary Anderson, director of the U. S. Women's Bureau.

Jim Crowism In Relief.

These misdeeds would answer that this is in the South, and that the Negro should leave there. But in California, under the C.W.A., Negroes were given a Jim Crow relief office in a Negro neighborhood on Central Avenue, which of course meant that Negroes living elsewhere in the City had to apply at this office. If their fire was scarce, it necessitated hitchhiking, or walking many blocks.

The thousands of white workers in this neighborhood had to go down to the applications. At the present time, the L. A. C. R. A. another New Deal project, is practicing the most vicious kind of discrimination against the Negro people, the so-called filing system.

When, as seldom is the case, Negro workers are hired as case workers, they are given the so-called "black files," "black pick" means Negro applicants for Relief are kept separate from the others.

Very often it becomes necessary for the white Social Worker to use these so-called "black files," but at no time is it permissible for a Negro Social Worker to use the "White Files."

The Negro misdeeds who depend on the Jim Crow existence of the Negro Communities for their livelihood, have no interest in the fighting for the needs of the Negro masses, but are only interested in maintaining the lynch and segregation system of the white ruling class.

In spite of the fact that Negro teachers are systematically denied the right to teach in any of the High Schools in Los Angeles, the so-called California Labor League, a Negro reformist organization which holds weekly "lectures" to denounce Communism, has not at any time raised their voice in protest against all the vicious discriminations mentioned above.

Every honest and sincere Negro worker is called upon to push aside all such misleaders and join with the International Labor Defense and League of Struggle for Negro Rights in a united front in the struggle against the national and social oppression, which is the only way to defeat, lynch terror, wholesale discrimination which is being inflicted upon the

REPUBLICANS AID SINCLAIR, HOPE TO LEAD THIRD PARTY

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—Depending on the credulity which has led upon Sinclair into one fiasco after another, California's reactionary Republicans are now preparing to use him in an effort to elect a Republican president in 1936.

Since his defeat, Sinclair has been casting about for means to produce a movie picturing the F.P.C. movement as he dreams it might be. Sinclair was finally offered a helping hand by Louis B. Mayer, chief mogul of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios, arch-Republican and intimate friend of Hoover and Gov. Merriam, whom he helped to elect.

With the revelation that Mayer's aviation was given at the suggestion of Will Hays, Hoover Republican and so-called moral czar of the screen, the political significance of the movie came into the open. An F.P.C. movie, badly edited and distributed through the national facilities of M. G. M., according to the Republicans, would help to solidify a third-party movement which would help to elect a Democratic president.

Sinclair would be an ideal candidate for leadership of such a movement the Republicans believe, inasmuch as it has already been demonstrated that he can be beaten. Moreover, the politicians feel that popular resentment over the deliberate betrayal of the California Democratic party by Roosevelt and Farley would be a factor in representing such a movement as a Democratic "split."

TRIED SUICIDE; NOW SAYS STRUGGLE IS WORKERS' WAY OUT

ANACORTES, March 1.—During the first of January a young girl of working class parents, attempted to commit suicide, using a .22 caliber rifle.

Her family moved out here a few months ago from the drought-stricken areas of Kansas in search of a livelihood, and could find no relief from the local relief setups, and were forced to live on such rations as potatoes, apples and carrots. There were seven in this family, and they had to live in a small house that was meant for a single person to live in.

"The young girl had left her friends in Kansas, and after coming out here had not been able to get among the younger people yet."

The general despondency of these rotten conditions laid the basis—when she couldn't get a dress which she was making over to fit, that seemed to be the last straw.

This case was discovered by a committee from the Relief Workers' Protective Union. After gaining contact with the family and helping them in their struggles for relief, the entire family has gained a new outlook on life.

The brother of this girl has found his place among the working class youth—he has announced his intention of joining the Young Communist League, and attended our last unit meeting.

The girl is making a rapid recovery, and when she is well, and sees the friends that her family has made and the help they have gotten through the militant struggle carried on for her family, she will undoubtedly see the way out too, and find her place among the youth that are struggling for a better social order.

Anti-Working Class Bill Hit by Minister

LOS ANGELES, March 5.—The bill now before the California State Legislature, making it a felony not only to teach Communism, but to attend a meeting at which pacifism is discussed, is the most damnable bill ever introduced in the Assembly. So declared Rev. A. Johnson, speaking yesterday at a meeting of the Methodist Ministers' Association, held at First Methodist Church.

"I am a pacifist and will attend all the meetings I want to, and they can put me in jail if they please, but I don't want my son to be classed as a felon because he opposes war," said Mr. Johnson.

Acting President Jesse Lee Corley was empowered to appoint a committee to study the bill, introduced by Assemblyman Redwine, and to report its finding next Monday.

THE FUNNIEST THING OF ALL

By Pamela Blake.

Lois, "placed" after nine months of unemployment, accepted the card graciously. The voice of the agency manager was a subtle blend of condescension and authority:

"It's really a wonderful opportunity, Miss Boland. You couldn't find a nicer place to work. Three generations of Burkes have had the company. They are busy up in society almost every day you can see their names in the papers. Donald Burke is president of the Commonwealth League, and very active in civic affairs. I know you are going to be very happy working for him."

February 16.

Donald Burke rattled the papers on his desk. Selecting a letter, he moved over to the desk as though to burn it. "Let's give this old sucker a letter. He can do us a lot of good if we keep him kidded along."

He dictated the name of one of the nations leading food chemists, with laboratory in Chicago, and without pausing went on with the letter:

"Well, it looks as though you put it over. I met our boy friend the other day and he was telling me all about it—and was he crying?"

"None of them have any idea how their secret leaked out. He stopped dictating and turned off the light. 'That was a good one. Old Doc Preston had been working on this idea for years. And one night I met one of the partners of a little dump down here in King City. We were all having a poker, and he didn't have any idea who I was. After the drinks were round a few times he began talking to me about something he and his brother were working on. I played dumb, of course, and he spelled some pretty valuable stuff to me. He gave me enough so that I knew I could put Preston on the track of what he was after.'"

"Anyway, I wired him the next morning and he got busy. Sure enough, about a week before these King City guys were ready to break, the old Doc applied for a patent and put the stuff on the market. It sure was funny."

He shook his head in amused reminiscence, then proceeded with the dictation:

"Evidently, he doesn't remember that he told me nothing after that last drink. The funniest thing is that they fired some girl in the factory who had helped around in the laboratory, thinking she must have let something out...."

May 31

The newspapers are jubilant. They reminded the reader that Mr. Burke, in his newspaper release as President of the Commonwealth League, had declared that the Longshoremen's strike was in the hands of un-American radicals. Now the Decoration Day rioting on the waterfront had proved beyond a doubt that the authorities knew with whom they had to deal, and the radical elements had been badly beaten and routed from the waterfront.

With one voice the office force had condemned the rioters and praised the efficiency of the police.

"It's the funniest thing," announced Donald Burke, "how these cowardly rats think they can get anything out of me. I started anything here in America. They ought to all be shot, or sent back to the countries where they came from."

July 5.

It was the day that was to become known as bloody Thursday. By four o'clock in the afternoon it seemed as though the day had been a long nightmare of whining ambulances and clanging patrol bells. Harbor Emergency Hospital was scarcely half full to time. As the savages drifted back to the office from block to time, the stories of what was happening outside varied alarmingly between wholesale slaughter of the strikers and police force, and the minor casualties of teargas encounters.

An awed hush hung over the entire office. Everyone looked first up and then at each other, each time the siren announced a new load for the hospital. By now the strike had reached the point where it needed an actual outlay of money for the firm. At first, when it had resulted only in curtailment of income, the vindictiveness of the executives against the strikers had not been of particularly violent nature.

"The funniest thing to me," remarked Burke grimly, "is why one of these longshoremen doesn't shoot this Harry Bridges. He's not supposed to be in this country in the first place. Some damned little Limey that wants to come here and stir up trouble. The men would be glad to go back to work if he would let them. If he were out of the way, the whole thing could be settled in a day. Why, for five dollars I'd shoot him myself."

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